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Under the scheme producers will be paid 30p per dozen for eggs which will be destroyed in incinerators or damps

• The Minister of Agriculture also

announced several new measures to

gent bacteriological monitor-ing of animal protein for animal feed, registration of

breeding flocks and hatcheries

for hygiene control and

strengthening of controls re-

lated to imported animal

Although the hygiene codes recently introduced to counter

almonella are voluntary Mr

MacGregor made plain that consideration was being given to making parts of them

Mrs Edwina Currie, who resigned as junior health min-

ister on Friday over her

remark that most of the country's egg production was

infected, was absent from the

counter the spread of salmonella

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£19m payouts to destroy eggs and hens

MacGregor unveils plan to ease crisis

 Four million hens are to be culled and 400 million eggs destroyed to ease the glut caused by the salmonella scare

 Many Conservative MPs said the £19 million aid package for the egg production industry was inadequate

> By Philip Webster and John Young faced a mixed reaction from

Conservative MPs after he

outlined his moves in the Commons to stabilize the

Many Conservatives cri-

ticized the plan as inadequate

for failing to help producers who have already slaughtered

their flocks. They predicted that despite Mr MacGregor's

statement that there would be

no more money he might have to find additional help if the measures failed to ease the

Others went along with the complaint levelled by many

Labour MPs that the Govern-

ment was paying too much

attention to needs of the

farming lobby, at the expense

Mr Tim Devlin, MP for Stockton, South, shouted "outrageous" as Mr Mac-

Gregor announced the plan,

and said later that the Govern-

ment should not be bailing out

Under the scheme the Gov-

ernment is to provide pay-ments of about £10 million to

Britain's 3,100 egg packers to

destroy surplus eggs for a four-

week period beginning tomor-

They will be paid 30 p a

396 million eggs. Today the producer is receiving around

20 p a dozen because of the

figure is about 50 p a dozen.

About £1 million has been

destroying the eggs in incin-

Under the second phase of

crators or dumps.

market.

Parliament

Political sketch.

Letters

Four hundred million eggs are to be destroyed and four million hens culled from the country's laying flock under a £19 million package outlined by the Government yesterday to help the egg production industry recover from the salmonella scare.

The farming industry reacted cautiously last welcoming the night, emergency measures but arguing that more is needed to prevent companies going out of business

But Mr John MacGregor, the Minister of Agriculture,



Christmas: pagan or Christian?



 On Saturday **Anthony Burgess** (above) focuses on Christianity in a special Christmas edition of the Sunday Times Magazine, which will be published with The Times. Is the Church an integral part of the festival? Or has it always been an essentially pagan time?

eminent scholars, including the Bishop of **Durham and Donald** Cupitt, answer the farfrom-simple question: who was Jesus? The Times has many other treats in store this Christmas. To be sure of your copies over the holiday, place an order with your newsagent today.

In the same issue.

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There was one winner of vesterday's £4,000 daily prize (see page 3) so the fund remains at £68,000. Prices: page 23

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Arrest ends armed siege in Coventry suburb



Police running to take up positions around the house where the two gunmen took refuge. One committed spicide, the other gave himself up.

Young orders inquiry into County NatWest

By Cliff Feltham

Senior ministers were last night discounting suggestions that she would make an early return to the Government.
Mr MacGregor again took
the opportunity of emphasizing that "it is not the case that Arrow, the employment group, of the US agency most eggs are infected" and also stated that it was not the

case that "most egg produc-tion" was infected. He was accused by Dr David Clark, Labour's agri-culture spokesman, of avoiding the main issue of clearing up the confusion over whether there was a real threat from Throughout the exchange Mr MacGregor insisted that

the risk from eggs was "very, They will be paid 30 p a dozen, which was around the sum being received by the cradicating salmonella. "No very small indeed". mastered the problems of salmonella in animals and poultry", be said.

slump. In normal times the "It is in the best interests of the consumer and industry alike that the full facts should allocated for the local authoribe put before the public: the ties who will be responsible for very low degree of risk, particularly if members of the public and bousewives in the kitchen also follow the proper hygiene practices."

the package payments worth £7 million will be made to Dr Clark accused the Govproducers to enable four milernment of complacency. The lion hens, about 10 per cent of key to restoring public confidence in the safety of eating the laying flock, to be culled. They will be paid £1.50 a eggs was addressing the extent of salmonella in eggs and bird for hens in the 18 to 30 poultry, he said.

weeks age range.

The Ministry of Agriculture will supervise the culling and Mr MacGregor said that it would not be possible to make £1 million has been allocated payments to those who had for the extra costs of slaughteralready culled their flocks. "I houses and veterinary surdo not think that it would be geons, who supervise the right to do that. We have slaughtering if it takes place on moved with great speed. All producers, who are in a very difficult situation, will benefit indirectly and they will benefit

Traffic jams cut speed

of 999 services by half

By David Sapsted

The average speed of am- 11 mph, compared with bulances attending emer- 25 mph in 1975.

A spokesman for London a call. New procedures and a

delays inevitably put lives at introduced to try and counter

risk. The average speed of an the problems of congestion.

Mr MacGregor also outlined new measures to tackle the spread of salmonella. These include more strin-

gencies in central London has

more than halved in just over

a decade because of worsening

traffic congestion, it was dis-

Ambulance Service said the

ambulance is now about

closed yesterday.

the farms.

The Government last night ordered an investigation into the affairs of County Nat West, the investment arm of Britain's largest high street bank, and the role it played in the £659 million takeover by Blue

Manpower last year.
Lord Young of Graffham,
Secretary of State for Trade
and Industry, has appointed
inspectors under section 432 of the Companies Act which covers suspected fraud, misconduct, or witholding of information from shareholders. Witnesses can be forced to give evidence to the inspectors

County NatWest immedael Crystal, QC, and Mr David that its own deputy chairman, Sir Philip Wilkinson, had examined in a top-level in-

ternal inquiry this year. His report was passed to the Department of Trade and Industry.
County Natwest had advised Blue Arrow and Mr company after the Manpower Tony Berry, its dynamic chair-

man, in its takeover of Man-

power and had been left Castleman, the former head of holding a 9.5 per cent stake in the company after shareholders failed to buy half the new shares which were being sold to finance the deal.

In his statement yesterday Lord Young said the inspec-tors would look in particular at the role of County NatWest Ltd and County NatWest Securities "in the offer by Blue Arrow for the whole of the

Blow to County19 issued share capital of Manpower Inc in 1987 and their

subsequent interests in the shares of Blue Arrow." Mr Berry refused to comment on the inquiry last night iately promised to co-operate but according to a colleague be with the inspectors, Mr Mich- was "surprised" at the announcement. He apparently

The bank said the inspectors cerns County NatWest, which NatWest will continue to cowould be looking at events still advises Blue Arrow, and not his company. But the timing of the inquiry will be a hig embarrass-ment to Blue Arrow, which has Mr Norman Tebbit, the chairman, as a non-executive

> acquisition. In January Mr Christopher Securities.

director. Mr Tebbit joined the

Hill Samuel, the top merchant bankers, who also came in after the hid, resigned after only two months as chief

Mr Berry is facing a revolt by owners of the Manpower franchises in the United States who are demanding his dis-missal. The shares have slumped from their pre-crash

peak of 166p to 82p.
County Natwest said last night: "The DTI announcement relates to events that took place in 1987 which were investigated earlier this year by Sir Philip Wilkinson at the request of Mr T. A. Green when Mr Green assumed executive responsibilities at NatWest Investment Bank.

"The resulting report from that internal investigation was Lane Spence, an accountant, feels the investigation con-submitted to the DTI. County operate fully with the in-

Observers believe the decision to call in the inspectors is related to an arrangement has Mr Norman Tebbit, the whereby County NatWest former Conservative Party split the Blue Arrow stake with 4.9 per cent held by its investment bank and 4.6 per cent by its market-making subsidiary, County NatWest

Unarmed PC shot dead by bank raid gang

An unarmed police constable was shot dead yesterday and another was gunned down in the street and seriously wounded as they attempted to stop two men wielding shot guns who had stolen £600 during a bealt mid in Court during a bank raid in Coventry, West Midlands.

The policeman who died was shot in the chest at pointblank range through the windscreen of his car after he stopped the robbers get-away vehicle. The second officer also unarmed, was blasted in the stomach in a separate incident when he rammed the gunmen's second get-away car and, knowing they were armed, began to wrestle with one of them, even clubbing him over the head with his personal radio, before he was

Later one of the bank robbers shot himself dead and the other surrendered to police marksmen after fleeing on foot across a golf course, pursued by policemen and tracked by a police belicopter which spotted them breaking into a house where they took

During a three-hour seige at the house, the men fired repeatedly and indiscriminately at police officers from the Tactical Fire Arms Unit and at the belicopter, which had been on routine patrol when it was directed to pursue

Last night Mr Geoffrey Dear, the Chief Constable of the West Midlands, praised the heroism of unarmed officers who had tackled the

Arms debate. Photographs ..

desperate gunmen and said: "They showed absolute unhighest order."

After it was disclosed that the two gunmen, aged 20 and 22, from South Wales had been armed with sawn-off, 12bore shotguns, the Chief Con-stable said: "This tragedy underlines the immense dangers that uniformed and plainclothes policemen face daily in going repeatedly unarmed to face known danger and doing Continued on page 18, col 1

Likud and Labour agree to rule Israel in new coalition

From Richard Owen, Jerusalem

main parties in Israel, yesterday broke the country's political deadlock almost seven weeks after the general election and cleared the way for a broad coalition govern-ment led by Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the Likud leader and Continued on page 18, col 5 Prime Minister.

> Although details of a deal have still be to worked out, Likud appears certain to gain the foreign affairs portfolio from Mr Shimon Peres, the Labour leader, who becomes Finance Minister. Mr Moshe Arens, a Likud hardliner, is tipped as his successor.

Observers said this means that, unlike the last national unity Government, in which Mr Peres and Mr Shamir were constantly at odds, the Prime Minister and Foreign Minister would be "of one mind". But as one diplomat put it "On Life or death, page 2 | the other hand, that mind is

Likud and Labour, the two not disposed toward compromise over territory." Another difference from the arrangement during the last period of coalition rule would

be that Mr Peres and Mr Shamir would not alternate as Prime Minister. The main sticking points in Likud's lengthy on-off nego-tiations with Labour were

finally settled last night. Labour is to have the same number of ministers as Likud. On the sensitive issue of new Jewish settlements on the West Bank, where Likud was pressing for a total of 40, the two sides have agreed a total of eight to be built in the first year of government.

Numbers for further settlements have been left for future

The chairmanship of the policy.

Knesset (parliamentary) Finance Committee goes to Labour, ensuring that Mr Peres' economic plans are not frustrated by Likud. He intends to give aid to Israel's financially troubled kibbutzim and to ailing industrics run by the trade union organization, Histadrut.

In the November 1 election, Likud gained 39 seats and Labour 38, meaning that nei-ther could govern without coalition partners.

It was not clear whether the smaller right-wing religious parties would also be included. Observers said that with or without the religious parties, which gained seats and authority in the poll, the proposed Likud-Labour coalition was likely to prove incapable of formulating a clear and decisive common stand on Middle East peace

Quality in an age of change

Christmas spenders get chilly mortgage warning By Maria Scott

The Halifax Building Society is joining debt counsellors in warning consumers to control Christmas spending and

London Fire Brigade also

said it was "increasingly diffi-

cult" for fire engines to meet

the government-set deadline

of fives minutes to respond to

new computer were being

borrowing in preparation for mortgage increases early next year. Mr Jim Birrell, chief executive of the society, the largest in the country, is directing his advice particularly to the 1.7 million Halifax borrowers who pay

their mortgages through a budget plan, where payments change just once a year. The Halifax will decide at the end of January what the annual adjustment should be while taking account of the recent increases in the mortgage rate and the further rise likely earry in the new

Budget plan borrowers start to pay the

"noticeable" and borrowers should review their spending now to allow for them. They should also take care about taking on more debt.

"Health warnings" which spell out the real cost of loans - including the fact that secured loan borrowers could lose their homes if they failed to keep up payments — are to be ordered by the Government. Details, page 3 Leading article, page 11

If the mortgage rate increases to 13.5 per cent in the new year, someone with a £50,000 repayment mortgage, spread over 25 years, could see the monthly repayment rise from £405.29 to £502.90. A £100,000 endowment loan would cost £1,040.63, up from £793.96.

The Halifax may allow borrowers to reschedule part of the debt, but no decision has been made about this yet. Nationwide Anglia, the third largest building society, has already decided to offer this option to its 400,000 budget

plan holders.

Borrowers can add some of the increase to the loan outstanding. Even so, borrowers will still see a marked difference in repayments.

Someone with a £30,000 endowment mortgage will see monthly payments rise from £187.98 to £241.25 in February, if they opt for the rescheduling option. Without this, the new payment would be £260.88.

Nationwide is also urging budget plan borrowers to prepare for their February



NEWS ROUNDUP

12 quizzed over murder and rape

Detectives investigating a trail of murder, rape and robbery across south London and Surrey by a gang of burglars were last night questioning 11 men and a woman held in raids by armed police.

The arrests were made yesterday before dawn on two addresses in Sydenham, south-east London, including a house cooverted into bedsits. More than 40 officers took part in the raids, including members of the Yard's PT17 specialist firearms unit

Police from Scotland Yard and Surrey are working jointly in the hunt for a gang who last week murdered Mr Peter Hurburgh, leaving him to die in a field, stabbed a second man when they broke into his parents' home and carried out violent burglaries within a few hours across Surrey. Rewards totalling £25,000 have been put up for the capture of the gang, who are thought to have used the M25 to circle London and reach their targets using stolen cars.

Electricians' setback

The electricians' union yesterday suffered its first serious setback since its expulsion from the TUC. Its London Press branch announced that its members had voted overwhelmingly in favour of joining the print union, Sogat. More than 70 per cent of the 1,500 branch members who took part in the ballot voted to leave the Electroial, Electronic, Telecommunication and Plumbing Union, defying their general secretary, Mr Eric Hammond. The decision was largely influenced by Sogat's promise to form a new national branch for the newspaper industry.

Man on gun charge

Michael McAffrey, aged 24, who is accused of taking a hostage before roaming the streets of Covent Garden, central London, with a handgun appeared at Bow Street Magistrates' Court yesterday. He was charged with abduction in Trafalgar Square on December 1. He is also accused of unlawful imprisonment and possession of a firearm on the same date. He was remanded in custody until

Launch day for Ark

A new environmental pressure group, called Ark, which aims to halt the destruction of the natural world through popular pressure, was launched yesterday. Mr Bryn Jones, a former director of Greenpeace, chairman of the group, said he had formed it because Greenpeace was oot democratic enough. Ark will set up local groups which match constituency boundaries in Britain, but it also hopes to attract support in Europe, Canada and Russia. It hopes to have 100,000 members by the end of next year.

Talks on saving Post

Talks were continuing last night in Warrington, Cheshire, aimed at saving *The Post*, which ceased publication at the weekend. Executives from Celebrity Group Holdings flew there to talk to Mr Eddy Shah and Mr Lloyd Turner, respectively publisher and editor of the newspaper. The appointment of a court administrator to handle redundancy payments has been delayed pending the outcome of negotiations. Apart from ending his backing for The Post, Mr Shah is also selling his Messenger group of newspapers for £25 million to Reed International

Unleaded fuel boost

Vauxhall is to be the first large British manufacturer to switch production of all its cars to run oo unleaded petrol. Mr Peter Bachelor, Vauxhall's marketing director, announced yesterday that from January 1, all Astra and Cavatier models built in Britain will be adjusted to run on both unleaded and normal four star petrol. Kinnock urges Army families to defy IRA bomb attacks

lies in Northern Ireland yesterday that

they should not be withdrawn as

repairs began on more than 100

homes damaged by the latest bomb

The Labour leader's one-day visit was arranged before Sunday night's explosion on the Nelson Drive estate

at Londonderry where Army families live alongside civilians.

The police are trying to trace the

aimed at Army wives and children.

Life or death poser as ambulances crawl at 11mph in traffic

set by the Government.

central Londoo are taking up to twice as long to reach emergencies as they were 13 years ago, it was disclosed yester-

London Ambulance Service said that, since 1975, the average speed of its vehicles in the heart of London had fallen from 25 mph to little more than II mph.

Ambulances are encountering such severe problems in jams that the service has had to accept that one in 10 of its vehicles will not reach an emergency until at least 15 minutes after a 999 call.

"We have no idea what this means in terms of loss of life but, if you think that the brain starts to die after three minutes of being starved of oxygen, you can imagine bow important lost minutes can be when it comes to such situations as a fire involving toxic fumes", the ambulance ser-

Both the Home Office and the Department of Transport said yesterday they were "con-stantly io touch" over the effects on the emergency services of increasing traffic on London roads, which has grown by 22 per cent during peak hours and by 37 per cent during the rest of the day since

Dr David Owen yesterday

called for an electoral pact

between the minor parties in a

bid to improve their chances

of winning seals in next year's

He made his appeal after the

Conservatives woo the Euro-

pean parliamentary by-elec-tion in Hampshire Central

with a majority more than halved due to a low turnout.

Mr Edward Kellett-Bow-

man, husband of Dame Flaine

Kellett-Bowman, Conserva-

tive MP for Lancaster, held

the seat for the Tories with a

majority of 21,442 on a turn-

out down from 31 per cent in

Mr Neil Kinnock told soldiers' fami- owner of a vellow Datsun Cherry car evacuated when the bomb exploded Remembrance Day bombing: "No

1984 to 14.4 per cent.

European elections.

Worsening traffic congestion also disclosed that it had been ing to terms with over a means that ambulances in forced to adopt new proce-number of years. Chief Supt dures in an attempt to meet Peter Wrigglesworth, of the the five-minute response time

> was "increasingly difficult" for appliances to meet the deadline in spite of measures aimed at speeding the dispatch of fire engines and, on all occasions involving an incident within the central sioner, has expressed fears area, sending assistance from two different stations in the over the worsening snarl-ups

in central London.

hope that one can get there within five minutes. On the night of the King's Cross Tube tragedy last year, an appliance from the Soho station succeeded in getting to the scene within the five emergency vehicles.

Greenwich Borough Coun-Another sent from Clerkenwell, the nearer station, took cil yesterday launched a High 14 minutes to travel 1,422 Court challenge to the Govyards because of "average" traffic congestion - a speed of

London Fire Brigade headhas acted unfairly and unlawfully by deciding to lonk again quarters is shortly to get a at the design of the bridge. computer to control response times and is also getting faster vehicles so that, when the road is clear, delays will be kept to a minimum.

ness consultant who lost his party was beaten into third

Among the emergency services, only the police seem to have escaped the worst of the problems. "Of course, congestion can cause delays but it is The hearing, expected to last 1975. London Fire Brigade something we have been com- two days, cootinues.

Owen calls for election pact

By Richard Ford, Political Correspondent

previous Euro-scat at Lanca-

shire East in 1984, woo 38,039

votes and had been favourite

to retain the seat which com-

prises seven Westminister

parliamentary constituencies,

all presently held by the

The apathy surrounding the

by-election, caused by the death of Mr Basil de Ferranti,

meant all parties were only

intent on mobilizing their

committed supporters to go to

the polling stations last

Mr John Arnold, the Lab-

ut down from 31 per cent in our candidate, achieved his de Ferranti (C) 84,086; F Jacobs 984 to 14.4 per cent.

Mr Kellett-Bowman, a busiplace with 16,597 votes. The (Lab) 39,228. Majority: 44,821.

Conservatives

only 15 minutes after a 20-minute

It was the third time in six weeks

that a large car-bomb had exploded on

an estate containing married quarters

and it came after a warning by the IRA last week that regular soldiers'

Mr Kinoock said in Enniskillen, Co

families had seven days to leave.

warning had been telephoned.

Metropolitan Police's traffic branch, said.

The brigade admitted that it "Generally, the public respond very well to an emer-gency and there are very few incidents of our progress being seriously impeded by jams." However, Sir Peter Imbert, Metropolitan Police Commis-

> He has suggested that it may be necessary eventually to introduce permits for cardrivers entering the capital. Christmas shopping this week makes the West End virtually a no-go area for

ernment's plans for a road bridge across the Thames. It claims the Government

The East Londoo River Crossing, expected to open in the mid-1990s, will form part of London's North Circular

The bridge route runs into Greenwich and the council was among the objectors.

place by 37 votes in 1984 by

When the votes were counted yesterday the split of the rival centre parties allowed

Labour to take second place.

Together the Democrats and the SDP would have had

enough votes to beat Labour

1988 by-election: Edward Kell-ett-Bowman (C) 38,039; John Arnold (Lab) 16,597; David Chidgey (Dem) 13,392; Lord Attlee (SDP) 5,952; Sally Pentoo

(Greens) 3,603. Majority:

1984 European election: Basil

concessioo must be made to terrorism

and the withdrawal of families would

Eleven people, including five mem-

bers of ooe family from Randalstown.

Co Antrim, appeared at Belfast Mag-

istrates' Court yesterday charged with

an earlier attempted bombing of a

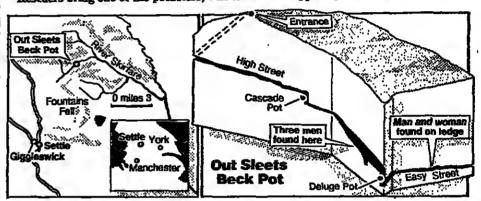
partly Army-occupied housing estate at Antrim last week, which was foiled

into third place.

the SDP-Liberal Alliance.

Five potholers are rescued

Rescuers bring one of the potholers, who had been trapped by flood waters, to safety



By Peter Davemport

One by one, five potholers trapped in an underground caving system by rapidly rising flood waters, were helped to safety through a tiny bole in the bank of a moorland stream

Almost 24 bours after they first went underground, the four men and one woman, were brought to the surface in a complex rescue operation that lasted throughout the night 200 ft below the Yorkshire Dales.

The five friends, all from Sheffield, kad gone down Out Sieets Beck Pu ghent, north of Settle, at lanchtime on Sunday.

The pot carries a flood warning and there was a forecast for beavy rain later in the day.

The group had reached the end of the system, a distance of about 3,000 ft from the entry that the fire brigade had to point in the bank of the beck, and were on their way back mount a pumping operation to when heavy flood waters divert the torrent of flood

began to pour into

Two of the party, including the only girl, Michelle Riley, aged 22, became tired battling against the force of the rising waters and scrambled onto a rocky ledge in a 10ft high issageway known as Easy Street near a 35 ft drop called Deluge Pot.

The three other members of the party decided to carry on but they too found the effort too much and also rested on a ledge near Cascade Pot.

The pot-holers had told relatives that they had inevening. When they failed to arrive the police were alerted and members of the Upper Wharfedale Fell Rescue Organization were called out.

Mr Harry Long, the leader of the organization and the man who discovered and then charted the pot in 1966, said

waters before rescuers could enter the system.

The first three missing pot holers were found, 1,000 ft along the system and 150 ft down, at eight o'clock yes-terday morning. Three hours later Michelle and her companion were located. They were all unhurt.

The underground rescue operation was led by Mr Ian Watson who spent almost eight hours underground.

Resciners said the cavers had taken the correct action. They had sheltered away from cold draughts and waited ei-

Yesterday police named the other four cavers as Sean O'Brien, aged 25, David Pendlebury, aged 29, Martin Whittaker, aged 38, and David Crowther, aged 37.

All five cavers are members of the Castle Mountaineering Club in Sheffield. They went into the system well equipped.

Fermanagh, where he met bereaved and injured survivors of last year's capped son, aged 12, who was severely shocked. The estate had largely been

which contained a large bomb and

was left outside a terrace of houses

owned by the Ministry of Defence

Most of the houses badly damaged

were owned and occupied by civil-

ians. Only two people occded treatment after the blast - a woman with

leg wounds and her mentally handi-

and occupied by Army families.

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be just that".

by the security forces.

Killing brings a call to arms The Coventry shooting yes-terday will raise fresh debate capability, often reducing the about arming the police and number of trained marksmen Secretary, to consider reintro-ducing the death penalty. Mr Hugo Summerson, Con-

bring into questioo yet again the availability of shotguns.

Twice in less than a week officers have been wounded or killed by armed criminals intent oo robbery. Last week two Londoo detectives were injured in a gun battle with a gang trying to rob a post office. Three of the gang were

The officer killed yesterday was the nineteenth to die from criminal actions in this decade according to figures from the Home Office. Including the death of Detective
Constable John Fordham, stabbed to death by Kenneth
Noye in January 1985, the

He said the federation had called for greater cootrols on shotguns. Violent criminals needed a deterrent, one they

Yesterday's killing is the second this year. In April an off-duty constable died at Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, after intervening in a hank robbery.

Mr Eastwood added: In nothing is done and no deterrent is forthcoming from Parliament, we will have to be armed."

Conservative MPs co-

shire, Hampshire and West dorsed his demands for the Yorkshire, maintain a small restoration of capital punishnumber of officers who patrol ment. A House of Commons North, added: "The death with weapons available in motion was tabled calling on their cars. All forces have Mr Douglas Hurd, Home deterrent".

but creating dedicated units on 24-hour call.

Some firearms experts suggest the police should be armed and argue such a decisioo would not bring a rash of accidents or increase the chance of gun battles.

Mr Alan Eastwood, chairman of the Police Federation,

said yesterday's killing was "the criminal's reponse to the Government's crackdown on firearms. They have given their salote, a ooe-finger

would fear. That deterrent was

restoration of capital punish-

servative MP for Walthamstow, tabled the motion saying that "in the light of this tragic incident" the Home Secretary should consider reintroduc-

tion of the death penalty for the murder of police officers on duty and some other categories of victims.
Mr Summersoo said: "One great advantage of the death penalty is that these sort of

murderers never get the opportunity to do it again".

Last June MPs voted by a majority of 123 votes against a proposal to retore the death

penalty for murder.

Mr Gerald Bowden, the
Conservative MP for Dulwich, who once opposed the return of the death penalty, said last night "I am now convinced that the reintroduction of capital punishment is the only way to stop robbers taking guns with them on crimes like this".

Mr Tony Marlow, Conservative MP for Northampton

Forensic science in crisis

By Martin Fletcher Political Reporter

Serious shortcomings in the Forensic Science Service were admitted last night by the Home Office. Pressures were such that the service "has oot been able in recent years to respond to the demands of the police and the courts as readily as it would like", it said in evidence to the allparty home affairs committee. There had been "delays m dealing with less important cases and restrictions on the kind of cases which laboratories are prepared to exam-

Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, has said 28 additional scientific staff would be recruited within two years. But in a written memorandum the Home Office conceded that the service would "still need to coocentrate its efforts on those cases where it can cootribute most". The admissions came on the last day of the committee's inquiry on the service. Mr John Wheeler, the committee's Conservative chairman, said the state of the service appeared "desperate".

Judge rules out boats on stretch of Derwent

By Andrew Morgan

Conservationists last night celebrated a High Court judgement that boats have no navigation rights or access under the Rights of Way Act on a 15-mile stretch of the Derwent, North Yorkshire, which has been described as one of the last enspoilt rivers of England.

The verdict was a setback to the 18-year campaign by the Yorkshire Derwent Trast which, with Malton Town Council, had brought the action through the Attorney General to try to allow greater public access to the river between Sutton upon Derwent and Malton.

The action was defended by 10 riparian owners and the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust which argued that pleasure craft would ruin a river which has many sights of scientific interest.

Last night, Mr Ian Carstairs, spokes-

man for the River Derwent appeal, said the interpretation of the 1932 Rights of Way Act would have big implications for other rivers. "Thomsands of nature conservationists, anglers and riverside owners will be relieved", he said.

The defendants were awarded costs in excess of £100,000. The Yorkshire Derwent Trust has spent a similar amount, with much donated by the Inland Waterways Association.

The issues turned on whether naviga-tion rights were ended when an order under the 1935 Lands Drainage Act revoked the 1702 Derwent Navigation Act, passed so a towpath and locks could be built on the upper Derwent.

The plaintiffs had claimed that there was a navigational right before 1702 from time immemorial but Mr Justice Vinelott said there was insufficient evidence to

prove the point. He cited the Charter of York which referred to Sutton upon Deiwent as being the head of navigation before 1702 when the Acts of Parliament was passed to "facilitate navigation".

The judge, who took nearly three hours to read his judgement, also accepted the conservationists' evidence that ancient mill dams in the river would have been an obstruction to navigation before work was carried out to build the locks. The judge also found that, after the 1702 Act, owners of riparian land had not "dedicated" the riverbed to the public.

Mr Justice Vinelott, who at one point was interpreting charters in medieval Latin, rejected the plaintiff's plea that the 1932 Rights of Way Act applied to

water in the way it does on land. The Yorkshire Derwent Trust said it was considering an appeal.

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TV soap operas help children learn, psychologist says

By Thomson Prentice Science Correspondent

Children learn more from television than their parents and teachers believe, and watching soap operas helps them discover how adults behave, researchers said yesterday.

A study of those aged six and seven shewed that they were surprisingly good at absorbing information on subjects as complex as photosynthesis and the laws of gravity in programmes geared for young audiences.

The research by Dr Maire Messenger Davies, a psychologist, was commissioned by BBC Television's children's department and will help shape the content of luture programmes.

She told a conference organized in London by the British Psychological Society: "The study shows

that quite young children learn a lot from television and we should not underestimate their abilities. They grow up with television and it becomes their friend. More programmes specifically aimed at youngsters will help their educa-

Dr Messenger Davies acknowledged that children could be adversely affected by violent or unpleasant programmes. Absorbing what they see is not the same as imitating it. We have to remain vigilant about what children are exposed to on television but we should not assume that it is mostly a negative

Dr Helen Petrie, lecturer in psychology at Sussex University. said that children learn much about adult behaviour from watching soap operas such as Brookside, Coronation Street and

A study of trainee London taxi drivers shows that the job attracts more extrovert personalities than the average in the population. (Pearce Wright, writes). But an investigation into what makes a Knowledge Boy", as a black-cab trainee is known, also adds new insight into the effects of the stress of driving a London taxi. The research by Dr Ben Fletcher and

EastEnders. She conducted a study of the three serials which showed that female characters tend to be less assertive and powerful than males in the way they speak, reflecting similar "real

"Women's language contains more empty adjectives and rising intonations, which make them sound lacking in confidence". Mass media campaigns on Aids Mr David Morris, from Hatfield Polytechnic, Hertfordshire, proves an earlier observation about the high incidence of stress-related ilinesses among experienced taxi drivers. Trainees need an intimate knowledge of London and the qualifying test has a high failure rate. The scientists compared the psychological profile of the "Knowledge Boys" with those of

have failed to influence sexual and drug-abusing behaviour, and alternative strategies need to be developed by the Government and health educators, Ms Lorraine Sherr, clinical psychologist at St Mary's Hospital, Paddington, west London, said at the conference.

The public has been told for three years that doomsday is coming but it has not arrived and experienced cab drivers. They wanted to assess whether the strain on drivers was related to the job or if there was an element of 'self-selection" of strained people who chose this occupation. They found both groups contained people who were more extravert than average, however there was more anxiety among experienced

the warnings are losing credibil-ity", she said. "But Aids is a buge and growing problem and instead of frightening people out of their wits we have to find other ways of informing and advising them." Millions spent on advertising

on direct face-to-face advice to groups at risk, or on clinical research, she said.

Research into an outbreak of

campaigns would be better spent

Glasgow polytechnic has shown that the condition, sometimes called "yuppie flu" can affect people of all ages and backgrounds, with serious consequen-

Dr Alan Durndell studied 27 cases of the puzzling illness at Glasgow College.

Although almost half of the sufferers had been jogging or taking part in other strenuous exercise before becoming ill, such activities could not fully explain their vulnerability, he said. He told the conference that the

illness was often precipitated by influenza-like symptoms, was unpredictable and recurrent, and nothing seemed to help, apart from rest.

• The texture of food, rather than its chemical composition, could be used to help fat people lose Dr David Baker, of Birmingham University (Pearce Wright writes). The conclusion comes from an

investigation of claims that the drug Fenfluramine is an effective

anti-obesity treatment.
It is said to suppress the desire for high-calorie carbohydrate

foodstuffs. Describing laboratory research Dr Baker said the drug produced a reaction on one of the brain chemicals known as serotonin. However, its impact was to alter the preference in the structure and texture of food, rather than in choosing between carbohydrate

and protein preparations. Research animals were fed with food preparations of various crumb sizes. The results showed that the choice was dictated by the size of the crumbs and texture of

Head quits as governors side with blind boy

By Douglas Broom, Education Reporter

leaching experience, who resigns tomorrow over the refusal of governors to support his decision not to admit a blind boy, is warning fellow heads that they could be at risk.

Mr Alan Beveridge fore-Mr Alan Beveridge fore-casts an increase in conflicts concerned and for the other 29 between heads and governing children in his class." bodies because of government moves to increase the powers of governors.

Mr Beveridge, aged 61, who has been head of Summercroft Junior School, Bishop's Stort-ford, Hertfordshire, since its foundation 24 years ago, steps down tomorrow at the end of an emotional six-mouth fight with the governors over the admission of Alex James.

He declined to take the boy, aged seven, because Hertfordshire County Council refused his request for an extra teacher, qualified in teaching

The boy joined the school last September and studies alongside his classmates, helped by a non-teaching assistant who reads braille. A qualified teacher of the blind visits the school once a week.

Mr Beveridge, whose resignation will cost him £3,000 a year in lost pension, said last night: "None of my teachers had any experience of teaching blind children, or any experi- shabby."

A headmaster with 39 years' ence of blind children and their needs. I feel very hurt that the governors were not prepared to support an educa-tional decision reached unanimously by the staff.

"I have only sought to get

He added: "I think we are going to see a great deal of this kind of thing as more emphasis is put on the power of governors to ignore the professional advice of heads."

His stand was supported by almost half of the parents of the 250 pupils at the school. But they were over-ruled by the county council which endorsed the governors' decision to admit the boy and accept Mr Beveridge's resignation. Hertfordshire County

Council said last night: "We feel that we have made perfectly adequate provision to meet Alex's needs. Throughout this whole affair the interests of Alex have been our prime concern.

Dr John Milne, a consultant cardiologist who led the group of parents which sup-ported Mr Beveridge, said; "It is a tragedy. This is a very good school which upholds traditional values. I think his has been very

£19,800 for clockwork train set found in attic



Giacomo Rossi, aged three, from South Kensington, gazes at every boy's dream toy - the hand-painted train set which was the highlight of Sotheby's small gauge railway sale yesterday.

rare hand-painted clockwork train set, discovered in an attic still in its original box and straw packing, sold for £19,800 at Chris-tie's, South Kensington, west Loudon, yesterday.

The news will no doubt cause regret among all grown-ups who threw out or gave away such assets when they departed childhood. The gauge III train set, manufac-tured by Markim, the German

timplate toy makers, comprising an

SALEROOM by Sarah Jane Checkland Art Market

Correspondent

0-4-0 locomotive and tender, various coaches, a circle of track and tiny was estimated at £12,000 to £18,000. It dates from the turn of the century and had belonged to the anonymous vendor's grandfather. It was bought by Mr John

Hockey, a collector. The set was the highlight in "Trains Galore" a pre-Christmas sale which drew collectors — mainly men - from all over the country, and achieved a total of £164,758, with

only 8 per cent unsold. Other high prices included £5.500 (five times estimate) for an electric Great Western Railway train complete with interior seating, tool boxes and GWR livery. This was

also bought by a private collector.

A model of an LNER locomotive,
"Mallard", sold for £3,300 (upper
estimate £2,200), while a "Central-Bahnhof" early Marklin railway station complete with ticket office

apper estimate for £2,860. Other good prices included £3,850 (on its upper estimate) for a rare and well-preserved Markin "Planet" locomotive and tender dated 1935. It included a stage-type coach, a

and waiting room sold just above its

driver and six rows of passengers sitting stiffly back to back. All the men wear bowler hats, and two of the ladies carry opened parasols. It was bought anonymously

Railway stations also performed well. A "Central Bahnhof" example, also by Marklin around 1901, its attributes including stained glass windows, an onion dome clock tower, and fittings for power, fetched £2,860 (estimate up to £2,500).

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Consumer credit changes

Companies to state real cost of loans

The Department of Trade and Industry intends to order loan companies to print warnings

on their documents pointing out the burden of repayment. The wording is expected to be short with emphasis on telling those taking out se-cured loans that they stand to lose their homes if they fail to

keep up repayments. The initiative is part of a package of changes to consumer credit laws to be made either through regulations laid before Parliament early next year or in a Bill being drafted by the department, expected to be announced in the next Queen's Speech.

DTI sources emphasized that the changes are not

ability to borrow money or to renew their licences every impose credit controls. But there is recognition that more needs to be done to impress on of loan arrangement fees until people, particularly the poor-est who have run up debts, the fee deducted. The departabout the burden of repaying ment intends to require lend-

Although Mr Nigel Lawson, Chancellor of the Exchequer, insists that interest rates remain the most effective wcapon for controlling credit, a ministers at the department recognize there are loopholes in present laws, namely the Consumer Credit Act 1974.

The Director General of Fair Trading is to be given stronger powers to crack down

three years instead of 15. Borrowers may not be aware ers to include advertisements the charged.

The 1974 Act allows a debtor to ask a court to reopen credit agreement if the charges are extortionate. The department wants to allow a court to set its own repayment arrangements if it considers the charges are extortionate.

The change is designed to help debtors who know little or nothing of their rights when on lenders charging extor-tionate rates of interest. Lend-in trouble. The present ers will have to apply to him to exemption from licensing for

firms lending less than £30 is also expected to be removed. Credit and charge card companies are confident that more than £2,000 million will be spent on credit this Christmas, and the Office of Fair Trading and the BBC have announced that they are to collaborate on an advice service starting in mid-January, aimed particularly at bringing help to those aged between 16 and 25 who have run themselves into unmanageable debt (Robin

Barclaycard said yesterday that spending by its nine million cardholders was 35 per cent up on last year. Access predicted that its 12.5 million card carriers would spend 20 per cent more.

Young writes).

Soldier's bomb 'made boy a human fireball'

"totally ruined" when he was reconstructive surgery." turned into a human fireball by a soldier's home-made bomb, the Central Criminal Court, London, was told

The bomb, made by James hand when he found it near his home in Putney, southwest London, Mr John Bevan, for the prosecution, said.

Michael was covered in a scorching substance which burnt the skin on his head and chest. He was saved by doctors at Rochampton Hospital, Mr Bevan said.

A consultant plastic surgeon said: "Michael sustained terrible burns. He is left with permanent mutilating scarring

The life of a boy aged four was and will need a great deal of

Mr Cobb denies using explosives with intent to cause grievous bodily harm and causing bodily harm by explo-

Mr Bevan said Mr Cobb Cobb, aged 19, with materials had made the bomb with stolen from the Army, exploded in Michael Walsh's soldier with A Company, the Second Battalion, Royal Green Jackets.

Neighbours heard an explosion and saw Michael's brother running, followed by "a ball of fire". They smothered the flames and Michael was rushed to hospital.

Mr Bevan said Mr Cobb had admitted making the bomb, but there was no suggestion he meant to hurt

Michael. The case continues.

Victims get £38,000 over water pollution

By Rath Gledhill

out £38,000 to 140 people affected by the Camelford water pollution incident. Payments ranged from

£1.80 for bottles of mineral water to nearly £11,000 for exotic fish poisoned by the 20 tonnes of aluminium sulphate dumped into a wrong tank at the Lowermoor treatment works near Camelford, north Cornwall. More than £20,000 has been paid in compensa-tion for sickness alone.

New figures, based on water samples taken at the time of the incident in July, showed that the aluminium level in the water supply rose in places to 3,000 times the EEC limit.

Theoretical calculations, based on the worst possible scenario, suggested that in

affected, the level could have risen to 6,000 times the limit.

Mr Walter Roberts, of the Lowermoor incident liaison group, is meeting ministers from the departments of the environment and bealth tomorrow to ask for an assessment of the effects.



The sole winner of yes-terday's daily £4,000 Port-folio prize was Mr William Findlay, a retired chartered accommant from Enfield, north London.

Dispute over BBC reporters' 'bunker'

By Richard Evans, Media Editor

The BBC may face another investigation by the Health and Safety Executive because it has transferred its leading dents are in a cramped, radio news correspondents to 3 "dangerous and unhealthy

A senior corporation editor, Jenny Abramsky, editor of BBC radio news and current affairs, has formally admitted to the Institute of Journalists that the move of the 10 senior specialists "was not properly executed" and that the temporary accommodation was

"tar from ideal". The correspondents were moved last month from their normal offices on the third floor of Broadcasting House to enable building work to begin completed next April at a cost which resulted in three deaths.

dents are in a cramped, windowiess studio, with many of their reference books locked away because of insufficient space. Studio 3A, reserved for emergencies, such as general elections, had no telephones or proper desks when they

moved in. After a formal complaint the Institute of Journalists is threatening to ask the Health and Safety Executive to investigate.

The BBC already faces prosecution after an HSE investigation into the outbreak of Legionnaires' disease earlier this year in a water cooling on new offices. It should be tower at Broadcasting House,

Sky deal with Warner

By Our Media Editor

Sky Movies, one of six satellite television channels being launched by Mr Rupert Murdoch early next year, has signed an important deal with Warner Brothers, it was disclosed yesterday.

. The agreement provides for a five-year exclusive output deal on all future films and access to Warner's library.

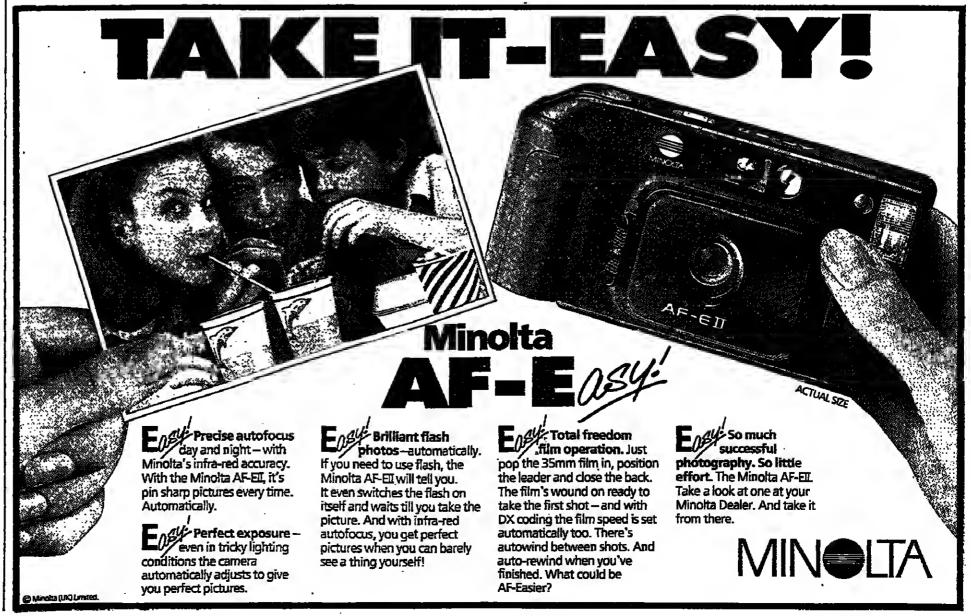
Mr Andrew Neil, executive chairman of Sky Television.

said yesterday: "We are
particuarly excited with this

deal. Warner has a wonderful reputation for distributing films that work extremely well m the UK market place.

"With Twentieth Century Fox, Touchstone, and now Warner, we have concluded agreements with three of Hollywood's most successful studios in 1988."

Sky Movies has also signed a pay television licence deal covering releases by Orion Pictures Corporation, including Platoon, Robocop, No Way Out, Mississipi Burning and Dirty Rotten Scoundrels.



By Christopher Warman, Property Correspondent

deen recession in the housing

The survey, published today, reports growing fears of an increase in mortgage arrears and repossessions because of high interest rates.

The report also shows that house prices are falling in some parts of London and the

Nationally, 17 per cent of the agents in the survey reported a fall io asking prices, twice as many as in the previous quarter. The North continues to be more buoyant than the rest of the country, but activity is reduced.

Mr Bob Miller, of the east London agents, Randalis, described the market as being in deep recession after a long period of boom.

Interest rates at the current high level will dampen demand still further and cause considerable hardship to exist-ing borrowers, especially firsttime purchasers with large repayment commitments who may struggle to stay afloat. We acticipate increased arrears cases and repossessions,"

This gloomy view was reected by the Halifax, Britain's largest building society, which said that 70 per cent of its borrowers (and 40 per cent of all building society borrowers) were on a budget plan, and would not face increased pay-ments until next April. "The last time interest rates went high, to 15 per cent, our borrowers coped very well, and the situation is better because rates are not expected to go that high, the rate of earnings is higher and un-employment less."

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extra 7,000 cases came before

the crown courts, bringing the

Mr Allan Green, QC, the

The latest house price survey shows that in London only secure value for money at both by the Royal Institution of serious buyers and sellers are Chartered Surveyors shows a on the scene. The agents, Brendons, report that in Ealing, west London, there has been a decrease in prices of 5-8 per cent except for small semidetached houses which are

holding their price. In Islington, north London, Mr Conrad Mazen, of Copping Joyce, reports that chains are building up as people look for a bargain before putting their own property on the market. As a result buyers are having to drop the price of

their property.

From Tunbridge Wells in Kent, Mr Alan Chart, of the agents, Alan de Maid, reports that asking prices are contin-uing to fall, more than 10 per cent at times

"With a stable lower level of asking prices, sales can be achieved. Perhaps it will soon be appreciated that summer 1988 prices cannot be obtained at the same time as a person can buy "cheap" due to the setbacks."

Overall, of the 187 agents in England and Wales contributing to the institution survey, the number reporting in-creases of 8 per cent in the quarter to the end of November fell to 4 per cent, com-pared with 11 per cent last quarter, and only 12 per cent reported increases of 5 per cent. For nearly half, prices remained static, and the oum-

ber of agents reporting a fall in prices doubled to 17 per cent. Mr Peter Miller, the institution's housing market spokesman, said that as the housing market adjusted to a changing climate, stocks of available property and choices were increasing. "Providing that

Prosecution staff to increase

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

The Crown Prosecution Ser-recruitment is his top priority. shortfall of nearly 23 per cent. vice has secured extra cash. A service spokesman said. Of the total staffing com-

greatly help the service to do

He said he accepted the

package of recruitment mea-

Director of Public Prosecu-tions, has made clear that which 1,381 are in post, a of the increased caseload."

when the service is struggling ated under the service's newly- in securing new recruits.

ger, Miss Fiona King.

The details come at a time sures is expected to be initi- the service was now effective

areas. But this coming year a approval for extra staffing.

The staffing increase has port staff needed has been

been agreed as part of an very badly underestimated.

annual review of the needs of And even where the numbers

the service. At present there is of lawyers are almost up to

its job properly.

from the Treasury for a yesterday that the approval for substantial iocrease in staff, an increase in staffing would

next April. It is expected to service had not yet filled its raise the total staffing com-

A group of 19 London estate agents has taken the unusual step of issuing a joint statement to "rebut the cootinuing impression that prices are being slashed and the market collapsing". They say that prices are not being "slashed". "Some over-optimistic sellers are having to adjust their asking prices, but that process is normal, particularly at this

ends of the transaction

 Council tenants' debts have increased greatly because of bousing benefit cuts, made under the Government's social security reforms, the Association of Metropolitan Authorities said yesterday (David Walker writes). An association survey of 28

city councils shows an increase of more than one third in rent arrears between April, when the reforms were introduced, and the end of September. Not all the councils showing large increases are Labour. They include Havering, the Conservative-controlled east London borough, and Calderdale, the district around Halifax where Liberal and Conservative councillors outnumber Lab-our. In Calderdale arrears

have almost doubled. Arrears have increased by nearly two thirds in Labourcontrolled Bury in Greater Manchester and Knowsley in Merseyside. There have been large increases, too, in such London Labour boroughs as Brent and Hackney.

The figures for rent arrears are causing concern in the Department of Environment which wants to restructure council housing finance so that rents will rise considerably over the next few years.

Of the total staffing com-plement of 4,786, 4,056 are in

Miss Robyn Dasey, assistant secretary general of the First Division Association,

which represents service law-

yers, yesterday welcomed the

But she said that she hoped

"In some areas of the

service the oumbers of sup-

Musical takes £2m in advance booking



Andrew Lloyd Webber (left) with Michael Ball yesterday after he had picked him to play the male leading role in the new musical, Aspects of Love. play Alexis, a young English boy who has an affair with a penniless French actress, Rose. Mr Ball, a graduate of The name of the actress who will play practically fully booked for the first three months of its run. The public bought £130,000 of tickets on the first Advance bookings for Andrew Lloyd

Webber's next musical, Aspects of Love, are already double those for Phantom of the Opers on its first night (Ruth Gledhill writes). Four months before the musical, starting Michael Rall, opens at the Prince of Wales Theatre in London, the theatre has taken more than £2 million, leaving it

day they were available. The musical is likely to star mostly unknwn actors and actresses, chosen after casting sessions on both sides of the Atlantic. Mr Lloyd Webber yesterday au-nousced that Mr Ball, aged 26, will

drama college in Guildford, played Racal in Phantom and Marius in Les Miserables and has been acting for four years. He has just recorded the first single from the musical, "Love Changes Everything", which will be

reading and mathematics tests

with exercise in finger count-

A storm of protest erupted at the weekend after parts of a

submission prepared by ooe of the educational groups which

woo contracts to develop tests

for the new curriculum were

The proposals from the National Foundation for

Educational Research, which

was awarded a £1.6 million

velop tests last Friday, include

setting children tasks such as

measuring objects in

handspans, counting their fin-

gers and making noises with

Mr Baker issued a statement

yesterday in which he empha-

sized that the foundation's

document did not represent

the final form in which tests

757s, BAC 1-11s and TriStars are

already earmarked for duty. They are expected to carry up to 14,000 people on more than 100 flights on

• The number of flights from

Edinburgh and Glasgow to Gatwick

is to be increased, it was announced

Air UK, which operates the

routes, will put on two additional

weekday services in each direction, calling at both Scottish airports,

from the start of the summer

That will mean a total of six

flights to and from each destination

oo weekdays and four flights daily at

schedules oo March 27.

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leaked to the press,

Rose is yet to be announced. "It is an extremely complicated plot", Mr Lloyd Webber said. Mr Ball added: "People will leave the show feeling they have been let into these people

Maths and science teaching

Baker wins on pencil and paper work

By David Tytler and Douglas Broom

The national curriculum came a step closer yesterday when Mr Kenneth Baker published his draft proposals for lessons io mathematics and science to be introduced into schools in England and Wales.

The Secretary of State for Education and Science had been unhappy with the reliance placed on calculators in mathematics lessons and was concerned that a science course taking up 20 per cent of the national curriculum would be impractical for many

In a parliamentary written answer, Mr Baker accepted the revised proposals from the National Curriculum Council which met his demands for mathematics and an alternative short course in science.

Children will now be taught to do long division and multiplication using two or three digit numbers and not simply rely on calculators, although

The Inner London Education Authority, which is to be abolished in April 1990, was told by the Government yesterday to cut spending next year by £75 million. Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for Education and Science, told the Common that he was using powers under the rate-capping laws to stop Hea raising more that £950 million from ratepayers. Hea says it needs to spend £1,025 million and that cuts on the scale demanded by Mr Baker could not be made in a single financial year. If the authority ran into delicit the burden of bailing it out would fall on the 13 inner London boroughs which are doe to take over Ilea's 1,200 schools and colleges in 1990.

The most controversial change in the original council plans published in August was for the introduction of a short course of science of 12,5 per cent of national corriculum Baker said yesterday that he course". hoped all schools would offer

the long science course. In submitting their final proposals for mathematics and science earlier this month, the curriculum council told Mr Baker that it still hoped aged seven under the new

they will be encouraged to use that most pupils would be encouraged to take the longer

Mr Duncan Graham, the council's chief executive, said last night: "I am particularly pleased that he has accepted and echoed our view that the time to run in parallel with the original 20 per cent course. Mr offered the long science

The department is asking for objections or comments by

February 3. Mr Baker yesterday also acted to reassure parents over fears that tests for children would be administered to

on bogus policemen His intervention came after the disclosure of proposals to replace traditional spelling.

Police issued a warning yes-terday to drivers in Berkshire and north Hampshire to be on guard for bogus policemen.

Warning

The warning came after bogus policemen tried to book a driver for speeding. but drove off when he demanded that they go with him to the police station. It was the twelfth such incident in recent weeks.

The Thames Valley has been troubled by the fake policemen who stop motorists and demand on the spot fines. Police believe there is a group of tricksters who use unmarked Ford Escorts similar to pairol vehicles to follow drivers.

In one incident the bogus officers took a blood sample from a driver, starting an Aids

Children ill

Health officials yesterday launched an investigation after three children from a primary school at West Bridgford, near Nottingham, were in hospital with a potentially fatal strain of meningitis. Every child at the school is receiving antibiotics

Fans cleared

Twelve Swindon Town football supporters were cleared of manslaughter vesterday at Winchester Crown Court, after the judge said the prosecution had failed to prove that any of them had delivered the kick or blow which killed a Plymouth supporter in November last year.

Cancer's toll

Cancer caused 141,000 deaths in England and Wales in 1986, but the most common killers were circulatory illness, such as strokes and heart diseases, which led to 270,000 deaths, according to the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys. The total oumber of

A bricklayer was remanded in custody yesterday accused of kidnapping a policeman and a taxi driver. Mr Jeffery Smith, aged 38, of Paddock Wood, Kent, was also charged with unlawful possession of a shotgun and causing grievous bodily harm to a public house

Neighbours who have cared for a road crash victim for four years turned down the offer of a £7,000 share in his £160,000 damages award, the High Court was told yesterday. Mr Bill Hurrell and his wife Jill said Mr Stanley Clarke, of Wetherden, Stowmarket, Suffolk, who suffered brain dam-

brother David, aged 23, of Wordsworth Avenue, Pailsgrove, Portsmouth, Hamp-shire, were jailed for six months at Portsmouth Magistrates' Court yesterday for organizing dog fights.

Science park plan unveiled

By Our Property Correspondent

Plans for a £520 million science research park at Emersons Green, east of Bristol, were unveiled yesterday by a consortium including the universities of Bristol and Bath, and Bristol Polytechnic. It is anticipated that the project will create some 14,000 jobs in the greater Bristol region. The 450-acre development will include three million square feet of space for science and information technology industries and other compatible "blue chip" employers, in a low-density, landscaped campus setting.

Also in the scheme are plans for 350 executive homes, a first-class hotel and conference centre and a wide range of leisure and other

An academic innovation centre at the heart of the park, to be called the Science Research Foundation, will eventually house up to 150 senior research workers and draw on the skills of the three academie institutions.

The Emersons Green Dev elopment Company, formed to create the park, yesterday submitted a planning application to Northavon District Council and Kingswood Borough Council, It is anticipated that the plans will be examined at a public inquiry next

BA crews on stand-by for shuttle holiday rush record

By Harvey Elliott Air Correspondent

Nearly 400 British Airways pilots and cabin staff have been ordered to stand by to fly dozens of additional shuttle services from Heathrow to Manchester, Glasgow, Edioburgh and Belfast on Thursday and Friday as the airline prepares to break records for domestic operations.

By yesterday Mr Hamish Mac-Beth, BA's operations manager for the shuttle, was beginning to worry that all plans worked oot since June to cope with the expected Christmas rush could go awry.

"I don't like it", he said, as the 12h30 flight to Belfast took off with a few seats unfilled. "It looks as if

The pay of leading business-

men has risen by more than 30

per cent in the past year and a

alary of £250,000 a year is

within reach for successful

chief executives, according to

The earnings of a director on £87,500, taking taxation cuts, fringe benefits and rises

into account, increased by 31.5 per cent during 1987-88,

On the same basis, an

employee carning £12,750 saw

his pay increase by only 3.8

per cent. For top directors,

basic pay rose by up to 17.5

per cent, twice the rate for

Because of the bumper year,

the survey said.

other employees.

a survey published today.

people are going to delay their departure right up to the last moment and that means Friday and Saturday are going to be a real scramble."

British Airways introduced the shuttle in 1975 with a guarantee that anyone who turned up at the airport and bought a ticket on the spot

would get a seat — even if it meant putting oo additional aircraft. The idea has worked well so far but this year predictions are that thousands of additional passengers will turn up, especially for flights to

"People can go by rail or road to Scotland or Manchester but they rely oo the airbidge between London and Belfast if they want to be with

Perks help lift executive pay by 30%

By Tim Jones, Employment Affairs Correspondent

Benefits value as percentage of salaries

the survey by Hay Manage- between senior directors and

ment Consultants says, top those oo average earnings are

However, the differentials payments made to directors:

than in 1971.

executives have shaken off the

effects of high taxation and

pay freezes during the 1970s to

restore the gap between their

pay and that of junior

their families for Christmas", Mr MacBeth said.

The highest number of people flying between Heathrow and Belfast in one day was on December 23 last year, when 4,767 queued at Heathrow to get a ticket. This year, because Christmas Eve

falls on a Saturday, it is expected that more people will hope to fly. "We are trying to predict the unpredictable", Mr MacBeth, who has commandeered every available

aircraft in BA's fleet, said. "If necessary, we will use a Jumbo jet on the route to clear the queues,

and my firm aim is to clear all the lounges by mid-afternooo of Christ-

share options add about 7 per

Another factor in the in-

creased remuneration has

been the pressure created by

the onset of the single European market in 1992. British

executives still have some

ground to make up on their

French and German counter-

variation in the value of cars

received than in other ele-

ments of the package.

cent to the rewards package.

Delays are inevitable as pas-

rushed to aircraft. More than 60 volunteers, ranging from senior managers to junior secretaries, have agreed to go to

sengers are subjected to strict sec-

urity checks and stand-by crews are

Heathrow oo Friday and Saturday to assist passengers. Spare aircraft and take-off slots have been made available through the cancellation of flights normally used by businessmen.
But other routes, especially to the

Caribbean, will require additional aircraft to cope with the demand. Practically every long-haul flight is over-booked and senior managers

hope there will be the usual number of "no shows". The concentration of effort is on

Dancing in first hour of 1989 may be illegal

Friday.

By Our Legal Affairs Correspondent Revellers on Christmas Eve poses problems for magis-

midnight may be breaking the law, according to one of the chief legal advisers to magistrates in England and Wales.

to the West Dorset justices, The typical value of a car received by a top director is £25-£30,000. There is less says today that because both days fall on a Saturday, dancers who do not stop at midnight could fall foul of the Sunday Observance Acts. A special hours certificate

Hay Boardroom Remuneration Gulde (Hay Management Con-sultants, 52 Grosvenor Gardens, London SW1W 0AU; £595). can be obtained for nightclub entertainment, although there is no general exemption for

and New Year's Eve who trates, who may be asked for dance at public functions after permission to supply drink by organizers of a public dance which runs into Sunday. They are surprised, he says, when magistrates are "under Mr John N. Spencer, clerk standably reluctant to be seen

to give the seal of authority to functions which on the face of it are in breach of the law". He argues there is a case for unfair that a seedy nightclub

may stay open but the local village hall must close even though it has a public entertainment licence

How Nimrod and the Queen of Light saved a pilot from the storm

still considerably less today

Cars, pensioo arrange-

ments, medical insurance and

other perks are worth about

40 per cent of the total cash

Share Options

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By Michael Evans Defence Correspondent

An RAF Nimrod maritime patrol aircraft with a Christmas tree and a beauty queen called the Queen of Light on board helped in the dramatic rescue of a Norwegian helicopter pilot who was trapped on a mountain after engine failure forced him to crash land io appalling weather conditions.

The pilot's distress signal was first picked up on Sunday afterooon by a special search and rescue satellite, called Sarsat, jointly operated by the Soviet Union, the Uoited States, Britain, Canada and

The May Day was transmitted via a Norwegian earth station to Britain's rescue coordination centre at Plymouth and then on to RAF Pitreavie in Scotland which immediately radioed to a Nimrod already on a flying mission.

The Nimrod, flown by Flight Lieutenant David Brown, was on its way to a US naval station at Keflavik io lecland to deliver a Christmas tree which was due to be presented by Miss Tracey Little-john, a 17-year-old student who

had won a beauty contest in Aberdeen and was crowned the Queen of Light

The Nimrod, Christmas tree and beauty queen were diverted to a mountainous region of Norway, 60 miles east of the town of Bergen. Flight Lieutenant Brown picked up the Norwegian pilot's radio beacoo and for two hours flew the Nimrod around the location of the crashed helicopter at 15,000 ft to help direct the rescue teams approach-

ing the area by land.

position because for a long time it After two hours the Nimrod, which was impossible for the rescue teams to get through.

A spokesman said: "The conditions were terrible. There was a white-out (a blinding snowstorm). Eleven 'Snowcat' vehicles tried 10 get through but failed. The pilot was only wearing light clothes and was getting very cold.

The Nimrod pilot contacted him on the hour every hour to make sure he was all right.

"They didn't speak all the time The RAF said yesterday that it because the Norwegian wanted to was vital for the Nimrod to stay in preserve the butteries in his radio." because the Norwegian wanted to

had originally taken off from RAF Kinloss near Inverness, was re-lieved by another Nimrod sent from RAF St Mawgan in Cornwall. Flight Lieutenant Brown and his beauty queen flew on to complete their Christmas mission in Iceland.

The second Nimrod stayed in the area until nearly midnight on Sunday when the weather suddenly changed, allowing a Norwegian C130 Hercules transport aircraft to get through and take over the joh of pinpointing the crashed pilot. Eventually he was rescued by a

Norwegian Sea King helicopter at 4am yesterday. "He was cold but otherwise unharmed", the RAF said.

The Norwegian pilot, who was not named, had been flying in a small helicopter on a trip from France.

The satellite that picked up his signal is one of four low orbiting satellites launched in an international venture. Two, called Sarsat, have been launched by the US and the other two, called Cospas, by the Soviet Union. The first was launched in 1982.

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Paul Fry, aged 19, and his

Castro's socialist time warp keeps perestroika at bay

Havana

The old man grunted the question as he polished the chrome on an ancient black Packard in one of Havana's pretty waterfront streets. "What do you mean, 'the class war is over?" Gangsters like Meyer Lansky used to prowl their gambling playgrounds here in such machines.

Like many habaneros, the driver was ignorant of the new thinking about the old truths from Moscow. President Castro's tightly run media neglected to mention the bombshells from President Gorbachov's New York speech last week. One diplomat said: "After all, how can you proclaim the end of the closed society in a place that runs one of the tightest?" There is no hint of glasnost in the trade wind that ruffles the palms on the Malecon waterfront here.

It is one of the strange signs of the times that the hottest commodity in Havana this month should be an unexpurgated copy of an address by the Soviet party chief. Even a copy of Moscow's New Times monthly is an under-the-counter item.

But that is the nature of the double time-warp now afflicting this Caribbean island of 10 million people as it gears np to celebrate the 30th anniversary next month of Dr Fidel Castro's triumphant

entry to the city on board a tank, the event that ended the rule of the dictator Fulgencio Batista and decades of American hegemony.

Isolation is afflicting Cuba from both sides. The impact of a quarter century of US 'blockade', as they call it here, has taken a huge and visible toll. There is no trade and American citizens are still liable to prosecution by their own authorities for coming here. On the other side of the warp, Havana is clinging to a romantic notion of pure socialism that is being fast shed as obsolete hy the Kremlin. So obviously is the ideological

> • Unrest beneath a placid surface

rug being pulled from under his permanent revolution that President Castro has cracked jokes to visitors about running "Albania West". He has not been helped by the cancellation of what he had hoped would have been a fencemending visit from Mr Gorbachov last week. Like the London visit, it fell victim to the Armenian earthquake.

Though he is as ebullient as ever. despite his 62 years and greying beard, the *Jefe Maximo* is said by those who know him to be anguishing nver his inability to take his revolution beyond Moscow. The Kremlin underwrites Cuba with about \$13 million (£7 million) a day. Fervent young Cubans tell you that such aid is Moscow's internationalist duty to a comrade in the crusade for the Marxist-Leninist future at home and around the Third World,

Privately, the Russians use terms they might apply to an indulged adolescent and tell you they are growing impatient, though they will stick by their ally. "We cannot really tell Fidel what to do," says one of Moscow's Latin American specialists. Communism has brought undeniable advances in education and medical care.

Grinding poverty was eliminated and all this despite the flight of the country's technical and managerial elite after the revolution. At the expense of personal freedoms, it has also bred a pride and patriotism in a population that was mostly born since the revolution.

But despite the country's permanent war footing, it has become hard, as the years have passed, to explain the shortages of basic goods such as fish, vegetables, chicken and coffee on the Caribbean's biggest island.

Foreign residents report widespread unrest beneath the placid surface. Disaffected youths, sporting the beloved American brand logos and speaking the

"Spanglish" of the Latin Caribbean, talk npenly of their dreams of Florida.

Nowhere else hut in Havana including Nicaragua - do they play "Moon River" over the loudspeakers as grim border guards scrutinize your passport from airport booths that come straight from Eastern Europe. In streets lined with shahby and near-empty shops, fleets of old Plymouths, Chevrolets, and Studebakers vie with Hungarian buses and Kamaz trucks belching the unmistakable fumes from Soviet diesel.

Along with them, the clanking Ladas. Volgas, and Jupiter motorcycles and sidecars look like the state of automotive. art. As in East Europe, it takes scarce hard currency to buy any Western goods or even enjoy the floor show at the famed Tropicana nightelub.

And just as in the fraternal countries, traffic is halted to allow the passage of bus-borne delegations of foreign VIPs. This week the honoured guests were here for a Latin American film festival, one of the regular gatherings that Cuba runs to keep high its cultural banner.

Hardships aside, here was something pleasantly nostalgic in these days of money and market-worship to find an army of earnest cinema workers debating imperialism, the masses and revolution, helped along with plenty of good rum beneath the Caribbean stars. This is

Mr Gorbachov is shedding the old dogmas in favour of "freedom of choice" and a "language of individual liberties". Dr Castro is reverting to them. While Moscow has brushed aside its old propaganda and discovered the benefits of profits and wage incentives, he is in the middle of a drive against all

remnants of private enterprise. As the Soviet leader spoke at the United Nations, police were rounding up "anti-socialist elements" in the town of Camaguay who were illicitly making and selling furniture. Hundreds have been

> Cuba is isolated by East and West

arrested in the crackdown against illegal economic activity, which includes old women who hold people's places in queues for a fee.

But at the same time there are relatively few political prisoners com-pared with earlier years. In true Leninist fashion, the supreme reward for the Cuban Nuevo Hombre is supposed to be the jny of duty well performed. Slogans everywhere proclaim the honour of labour, just as they did in Russia.

To ram home the return to fundamentals, the memory of Che Guevara,

the pure revolutionary, is being evoked with posters, murals and publications. President Castro flatly rejects the idea of applying perestroika to Cuba. He recently called market reforms "complete trash", and in a speech on December 7 aimed at preparing the ground for the Gorbachov visit, he said that Cuba had made too many mistakes in the past through imitating the experiments of socialist countries.

For Cuba-watchers from East and West, the 30th anniversary marks the close of an era in Latin America and the Third World. Few anywhere are at-tracted by Dr Castro's heady brand of Marxism-Leninism.

With oo organized dissent, powerful security police and continuing personal popularity, Fidelismo is likely to be around for many years. The leader's own wishes are clear from a new slogan that is being bandied around town - with the party and logether with Fidel, we are marching in 2000. Much will hang nn relations with Washington, which under President Reagan rehuffed repeated Cuban nvertures.

Some pessimists see Dr Castro retreating further into isolatinn with nld age, convinced that only he understands what is good for Cuba and embittered by what he sees as the superpowers dealing over his head.

Soviet reforms spread to school classrooms

From Mary Dejevsky, Moscow

better if they liked what they

were teaching — and the emphasis on background

analysis in the final two years

would be dropped. It had

produced school leavers. Mr

Yagodin said, who knew what Tolstoy's "mistakes" were,

hut who had not read War and

Mr Yagodin also disclosed

that the Soviet Union had a

problem with pupils who left

school virtually illiterate. This

was a personal misfortune for

them, he said, and for the

state. "Who knows how many

we are losing?" he asked. The

make learning more pleasur-

literature were, he said it was

able and more accessible.

changes were designed to

Asked why mathematics

the basic educational skills, is three, four or five subjects. to switch the emphasis of its education system from the collective to the individual.

Addressing journalists yes-Addressing journalists yes-terday on the eve of the about which subjects would be country's first national education congress, the Head of the State Education Committee. Mr Gennady Yagodin, said pupils would in future be treated as the subject rather than the object of education.

The old system, he said, had too often stifled individual initiative. This had caused psychological damage to those children who stood out from the crowd, and probably deprived the country and society of some of its brightest and revised. most original minds.

Too many teachers, he said, had been encouraged to keep the level down.

They had treated their pupils like nails - if one stood out further than the rest it nceded to be hammered on the head until it was the same height.

In future, Mr Yagodin said. the Soviet system would encourage individual development and interests at all expressed in the course levels. It would also offer a materials. choice of curriculum in

The second section

Until now, all school courses had been compulsory.

Mr Yagodin said that discompulsory in the last two years of school, but be fa-voured language and literature (this would be Russian or the pnpil's native tongue), modern history and social studies.

Social studies at the moment covers such political courses as "history of the Communist Party", "dialec-tical materialism" and "scientific communism". But he said the content and the approach was likely to be In response to a question, he

revealed that history examinations, which were cancelled at the end of the last academic year because the revision of history was moving too fast for the text books, would be reinstated at the end of this academic year. The course, however, would be more limited than before, and there would be no penalty for pupils who disagreed with the views

There would also be a new

The Soviet Union, which has secondary schools, with pupils approach to teaching literature. It was proposed to to be compulsory throughout its school leavers a mastery of allowed to concentrate on give teachers more say in the school as the world entered the basic education of the concentration of the books they taught - on the the computer age. grounds that they would teach

Soviet children start school usually at seven, and stay for eight or 10 years, before going into further training or higher education.

The shift in emphasis towards individual development and the intro-duction of more choice into Soviet education will, if they take place, be among the most radical changes to be in-troduced under perestroika. They reflect the concern of teachers at increasing indiscipline in city schools and horedom among pupils, who have to learn long passages hy rote to pass their examinations but then find no application for what they have learned.

The proposed changes conwas not among the com-pulsory subjects he favoured for the final two years of schooling, and language and In stitute the second big revision of the educatioo system in five

In 1984, the then Soviet leader. Konstantin because reading gave a plea-sure that could be enjoyed by mittee which recommended everyone, whereas the satis- mainly organizational changes faction gained from calculat- as well as the introduction of ing a square root had more computer education. These limited appeal. A deputy edu-reforms became bogged down cation minister sitting beside in hureaucracy almost before him disagreed, however, and they had started.

Mother Teresa in Yerevan



Mother Teresa arriving yesterday in Yerevan, the Armenian capital, where she vowed to give "tender love and care to the people" hit hy the earthquake in the republic on December 7. In

Teresa offered in send nuns to Moscow and Yerevan to aid Armenians. Meanwhile a Soviet foreign trade bank official said yesterday that the amount in the special account receiving talks with the Prime Minister, Mr Nikolai foreign currency contributions was only £1.5 Ryzhkov, heading relief operations, Mother million, despite higher reports.

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The houses are slowly sinking

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foundations is huge. Engineers

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The locals talk of another

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has nothing to dn with geol-ogy. The traditinnal solidarity

of the hilltop community has

to themselves behind the

flimsy walls of their prefabs,

dwelling in a limbo between

the destroyed old and the unfinished new worlds.

The pnst-earthquake generation has grown up on

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US and **EEC** on brink of meat war

From Michael Dynes

United States carries out its threat to impose a ban on EEC

The announcement follows a series of discussions at the weekend between Mr Willy de Clercq, the Commissioner for External Relations, Mr Frans Andriessen, the Commis-sioner for Agriculture, and a group of high-level officials over the long-running dispute concerning American exports of hormone-treated meat.

The failure of the discussions to bridge the gap between Washington and the Community mean that, in the absence of an eleventh-hour compromise, the two trading partners will be locked into a spiral of destructive retaliation and counter-retaliation

failure of a group of countries, principally Britain and The Netherlands, to convince their pone the Community's ban on imports of bormone-treated meat for three to six months in reach a compromise.

But Mr Alfred Kingon, the US Ambassador to the Community, said that Washington would not be talked out of retaliation if the hormone

He expressed his disappointment at what he called the Community's lack of flexibility over the dispute. and warned that "if the hormone ban goes into effect, there will be almnst instantaneous retaliatinn" - which observers understood to mean

cash grants have hought mntorcycles and shiny Japanese Jeeps.

The casual building jobs have dried up despite the following intense pressure from the European Parbustle of reconstruction. Unemployment has dnubled liament and a variety of consumer groups, to impose a ban on imports of meat treated with growth hormones for fear of the damaging side-

> pected to affect meat exports worth an estimated \$110 million (£61 million), principally from Italy, Denmark and

ation package includes the imposition of punitive tariffs on US imports worth more than \$140 million of natural honey, dried fruit, nuts, corn and lemils, will be im-plemented "without delay" if the US goes ahead with its retaliation, Mr de Clercq said. But the move will need final approval by the Council of

progress.

WORLD ROUNDUP

Bush to review debt strategy

Washington - President-elect George Bush yesterday called for a complete review of the West's Third World debt strategy, which he said could have important national security implications for his Administration (Bailey Morris

At a White House news conference, Mr Bush disclosed that he had ordered his Treasury team, under Mr Nicholas Brady, and the National Security Council, to be headed by Mr Brent Scowcroft, to take "a whole new look at Third Word debt". Mr Bush's comments followed the release of a new World Bank study which said that the drain of funds from the economies of the 17 most heavily indebted nations, the bulk of them in Latin America, had accelerated

• Post for Kemp: Mr Bush yesterday named Congressman Jack Kemp, a conservative former political rival for the Republican nomination, to be his Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (Michael Binyon writes). He said Mr Kemp's innovative ideas were essential to end the "national

Vanuatu ruling

Sydney - The Chief Justice of Vanuatu ruled yesterday that President Sokomanu had no constitutional power to dissolve Parliament and declared his interim government illegal (Christopher Morris writes). Two injunctions were issued restraining the President from action against the Lini Government. The President, whose declaration dissolving Parliament and appointment on Sunday of Mr Barak Sope as Prime Minister provoked the crisis, was silenced by the Supreme Court. But tension is mounting as supporters of Mr Sope, now under arrest, have taken np arms.

Metro back in action

Paris - An early spot of Christmas cheer arrived yesterday for the long-suffering commuters of Paris (Philip Jacobson writes). After weeks of strikes, which have strangled the capital's public transport system, maintenance crews on two more lines of the Metro have decided to resume work immediately. Another Metro line, closed since December 12, should be offering limited services from Thursday. The Parisian transport authority announced also that the B line of the fast electric network serving the suburbs would be back in action next week."

Malaysia accused

The human rights group, Amnesty International, today cites cases of cruelty against Malaysians detained without trial in a mass arrest and calls for the release of 16 people it says are still being held. In a report it refers to the detention of at least 106 people between October and November, 1987, under Malaysia's Internal Security Act. It calls on the Government to review the Internal Security Act, which allows detention without trial, to ensure that civil liberties are safeguarded and to investigate allegations of torture without delay.

Lisbon Socialist vote

Lisbon — The election of Dr Gorge Sampaio, aged 49, a Lisbon lawyer, as the new leader of Portugal's Socialist Party was virtually assured at the weekend when he secured 836 delegates. This compared with 455 for his nearest contender, Senhor Jaime Gamma, in elections for delegates to the party congress in January in Lisbon (Martha de la Cal writes).

Italy's bleak lesson for Armenia

Quake survivors face bitter legacy

From Roger Boyes Rome

Counting the bodies, naming the dead and sheltering the living does not mark the end of an earthquake disaster.

When the shaky buildings and fractured girders of Armenia have been blasted and the crying has stopped, then the earthquake relief specialists should turn their eyes to Italy where, eight years after the Naples earthquake, there is still bitterness, chaos and political feuding.

Last week Signor Ciriaco de Mita, the Prime Minister, and other Italian politicians tried to counter charges about the abuse and embezzlement of funds for the 1980 earthquake, which killed 5,000, injured 8,000 and left 250,000 homeless in the mountainous Irpinia region east of Naples.

Signor de Mita's political task is merely to dissociate himself and his Christian Democratic Party from the mess. A commission will investigate the spending.

But the important questions go much deeper than the ritual tantrums of the Italian political scene. What happens to

and the banks?

The hill towns of Irpinia quake relief than at any other comparable time in Italian history. Neither the Fascist years nor the unification of

impact. First, as one drives through the snaking approach roads, there is a physical shock of gutted buildings, untouched in eight years. The houses are skeletons and open as if for anatomical inspection.

Here on the cold windy hilltops there is nothing left of the exquisite medieval settlements. The wrecked kitchens and bathrooms can still be viewed like a perverse Ideal Home Exhibition.

valley, the victims - can they still be victims eight years afterwards? - live in prefab

a region that has been so badly houses being slapped up, or prey for organized crime. devastated? What happens finished in a raw red brick. Trucks full of blankets and

survivors, the local industry of Sant'Angelo dei Lombardi for the past eight years, de-clares: "Yes, it is true that we have changed more in the past face a problem that could be eight years of bountiful earth- called the psychology of the carthquake, the habit of

"But what the community Italy had so much of an needs most is services. We cannot win this battle against disinformation and political

"There have been no miracles here - we have just done

Eight years on there is chaos and political feuding 9

what we can. We have used 116 billinn lire (£47.2 millinn) for private reconstruction and almost 90 billion lire for Wooden crutches prop up almost 90 billion is the roofs. At the bottom of the public reconstruction. "If a commission wants to

investigate how the money

was spent, then let it. Those who made mistakes will pay." There are flower pots and banners that say Buon Natale (Merry Christmas). Farther lire. The first aid shipments, down the valley there are new especially to Naples, were easy

not only to the money that Signora Rosanna Repole, the food supplies were diverted by eial highway. The land on the floods in, but also to the Christian Democratic Mayor the Camorra, which set up a right was owned by a relative the Camorra, which set up a right was owned by a relative black market in food and of the mayor who wanted to shelter.

Later there were meatier pickings. There was no control over the bidding for contracts: one contract for reconstructdepending on assistance given immediately after the tragedy. a few years from 120 billion lire to 651 billion lire. The same consortia landed

the important deals again and again. Government funds allocated for rehuilding roads have almost doubled since 1983. All work is behind schedule. The higgest winners are the banks. The Bank of Irpinia has seen its deposits go up by over 20 per cent in the last few years.

Whole new towns are being built, the old medieval towns abandoned to the valley winds and the sheep. The case of Conza is typical.

It was originally perched on the top of a small mountain to defend the inhabitants from the diseases that were carried and spread from the Ofanto

After the earthquake, the

1,000 inhabitants decided to

rebuild their village on the floor of the valley.

But the questinn was: to the right or the left of the provinships of Armenia.

Debts and one-piece sink bikini From Philip Jacobson, Paris

Well, the early public appear-



A piece of history, two pieces perhaps, departs this world at midnight on Christmas Eve when the French firm that made the original, authentic, accept-no-substitute bikini goes out of business. Forty-two years have passed since M Louis Reard, the beachware designer of the time (left, with one of his creations on a display dummy), scandalized polite society, and delighted the rest, with a revolutionary swimsnit composed of two smallish items of polka-dotted

According to the late M Reard whose training as an automobile engineer may have come in handy with the structural problems his new creation required - the name was taken from the Pacific atoll of Bikini, scene of the first post-war nuclear test. The aim, he readily conceded, was to cash in on the

impact this had on people around the globe.

ances of the bikini were certainly explosive affairs: although M Reard's little garment was soon on the front page of every glossy magazine, most of the beaches were not quite ready for it. It took several years to become cautiously acceptable, and then mostly in what the British had always considered the more louche corners of the world the French Riviera and certain

Undeterred, M Reard went back to the drawing board and, 20 years later, launched the one-piece monokini, said to expose 50 per cent more of the wearer's flesh than its predecessor. Predictably, there were outraged protests; equally predictably, a new generation of film stars — Brigitte Bardot in-

resorts in Italy.

cluded - could hardly wait to slip By now, the enterprising M

since the earthquake.

Reard was in the money, but, as time passed, he was obliged to spend more and more of it protecting the Bikini trademark from unscrupulous and ever more daring imitators. When he died four years ago, the firm was already in serious financial trouble and the present trend towards ultra-slinky onepiece swimwear merely exacerbated its problems.

So, farewell then to La societe Reard. But perhaps one of the original model bikinis survive, mothballed in tissue paper at the back of some former bathing beauty's wardrobe, a reminder of the June day on which Louis Reard hired the Molitor indoor swimming pool in Paris to launch the name that will live for evermore.

Brussels The world's two largest trading partners stood on the brink of a full transatlantic trade war yesterday after the European Commission announced it had drawn up a list of counter-retalianny mea-sures 10 be applied if the

meat imports.

beginning on January 1. The move comes after the European partners to postorder to provide more time to

The Commission opposed a postponement of the ban on the ground that it would discriminate against Community farmers who are prohibited from selling any kind of hormone-treated meat, and would also undermine the negotiating credibility of the Community in future trade talks with the US.

The EEC is expected to take America to the disputes panel of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) today to obtain a ruling on the legitimacy of US retaliation.

ban went into effect.

January 1. The nrigins of the current dispute stem from a decision by the Commission in 1985.

effects on people. American retaliation is ex-

The Community's retali-Ministers.

After the start of the Palestine Liberation Organization's talks with Washington, Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, said the EEC had played a key role in hringing the two sides together and intended to remain in close contact with the US Administration to monitor

led by Mr Abu Nidal (who are

outside the PLO). Mr al-

Hassan called for the setting

up of an international com-

mittee which could examine

future terrorist attacks and

It should investigate any-

thing which is perpetrated in

the civilian quarter: that is

savage, and we are totally against it."

Speaking in the shuttered

froot room of a villa in the

suburbs of Tunis whose Tu-

nisian military guard has re-

cently been stepped up in case

of reprisal raids by Israeli

commandos, the PLO strat-

egist added: "It is unfair to ask Arafat to control people like

Abu Nidal who are outside his

control. Can the Germans

control the activities of the

Baader-Meinhof group or the

Italians stop attacks by the

Switching to an issue which

Mafia or the Red Brigades?"

has yet to receive much atten-

tion in the renewed debate

about a settlement to the Middle East crisis, Mr Al-Hassan claimed it would have

to provide sufficient compen-

sation or rights for the esti-

mated 1.5 million Palestinians

who were forced out of their

homes when the state of Israel

was declared and who now

live in the Diaspora.

You couldn't wish for

apportion blame.

Defiant PLO vows to keep up its attacks on Israel

Organization yesterday re-buffed the idea of bilateral still in a state of war, how can peace talks floated by Mr we stop our struggle? The Shimoo Peres, the leader of Israelis are killing our people Israel's Labour Party, and at the average of one a day and announced that Palestinian yet people want us to stop attacks against "Israeli military targets" would continue until the Palestinians achieved

The PLO's defiant stance illustrated the extent of the difficulties of a Middle East peace settlement. It also made clear that attacks which Israel is certain to brand as "terrorist acts" will oot stop, as Western diplomats had hoped.

In an interview Mr Khalid al-Hassan, one of the PLO's most senior figures, stressed that the organization would never agree to peace negotiations outside the context of an international conference.

to crawl naked to the negotiating table?" he said. "This problem began internationally, and it has to be resolved internationally.

Mr al-Hassan cited the French resistance to the Nazis during the Second World War and the more recent help provided to the Afghan guerrillas by the Reagan Administration to justify the PLO's flat refusal to abandon

The Palestice Liberation rael hands back the land we stop our struggle? The talking about a struggle."

He added: "We deal with the reality on the ground. Within original Israel and the occupied territories, the Palestinians have the right to attack military targets.'

Mr al-Hassan, the eminence grise behind Mr Yassir

Vienna - The new peace look of Mr Yassir Arafat, the Liberation Organization, met a positive Austrian reaction during the start of his visit yesterday (A Correspondent writes). Before meeting the federal Chancellor, Herr "What does Peres want? Us Franz Vranitzky, he discussed making peace with Israel.

> Arafat's Fatah movement (which he helped found) is regarded by Western analysts as one of the more moderate

voices inside the PLO. The strength of his remarks yesterday was a blow to any who had been expecting further compromises by the PLO following Mr Arafat's United Nations speech and press conference in Geneva last week.Rejecting another sug- new attacks launched by

gested compromise from Mr Palestinian splinter groups, Peres that the PLO should halt like the Libya-based fanatics the intifada as a prelude to peace talks, Mr al-Hassan, head of the foreign affairs committee of the Palestine National Council, said: "The intifada brought everything to

"The superpowers do not deal with any situation unless it is hot. That is exactly what Dr Henry Kissinger once told the late President Sadat."

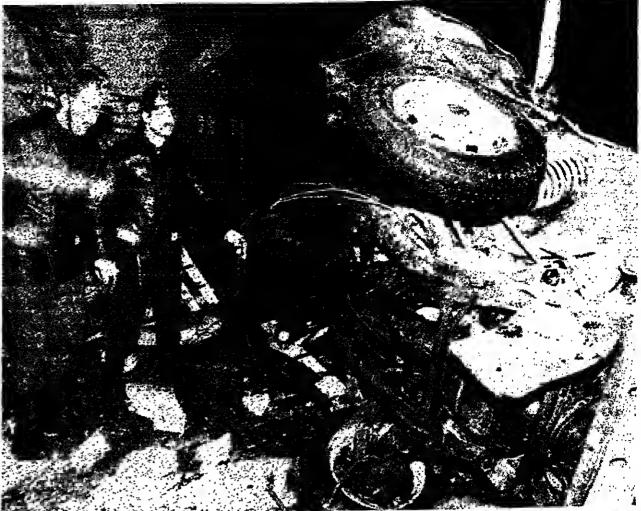
His remarks appear to coo-firm the prediction of many Western observers in Tunis that the vexed question of political violence and definitions of "terrorism" are likely to prove one of the main stumbling blocks in maintaining the recent momentum in the neace process.

Like other PLO leaders, he claimed that the time had come to turn world attention to Israeli actions which he described as "terrorism" and which he said had largely been ignored by the US.

They are the ones who bomb civilians outside their own borders, hitting our camps in Lebanon and killing women and children", he stated. "The time has come to turn that question to them."

In order to preclude the chance of the new US-PLO dialogue being derailed by

Hostel for immigrants hit by bombs



Firemen examining the wreckage of a car destroyed by two of three bombs which exploded at the entrance to an immigrants' hostel early yesterday at Cagnes-sur-Mer, near Nice in the south

of France, killing one person and injuring 12 (Susan MacDonald writes). Pamphlets left at the scene were signed by the obscure "execution wing" of the

Massada. The panic caused by the first Africans, rushing for the exit when the third bomb exploded killing Mr George National Committee of French Jews,

Sri Lanka election

Most disregard boycott order

tions yesterday.

Although predictions varied, average turnout was estimated at between 50 and 60 per cent despite widespread violence across the island which claimed at least 36 lives the last five years. during Sunday night and

tioo Front, vowing to overthrow current and future Colombo governments, had threatened to kill those who took part in what they regard as illegitimate elections.

As expected, attendance at

The people of Sri Lanka defied particularly the poor inland a natioowide boycott order by areas of the violent south the underground Sinhalese ex-tremist JVP, and came out to mained deserted throughout vote in larger than expected the day. Io at least one numbers in presidential elecGandh

Attendance was also reportedly thin in the predominantly Tamil areas of the oorth and east which have been hit by a separatist insurgency during

The Sinhalese minority in the east was an exception, The JVP, or Peoples Libera- turning out enthusiastically. After months of increasing violence with an assassination campaign by the JVP which

has claimed over 700 lives and lately, retaliatory killings by pro-government paramilitary groups, widespread fears that polling stations was uneven. there would be a bloodbath oo Io areas where the JVP has polling day turned out to be traditionally been strong - overstated.

FOR SUBVIYAT

Fearful villagers in south stay at home

From Our Correspondent, Tihagoda, Sri Lanka

There was no presidential to an unforgivable betrayal of election to speak of in this the motherland. The punishcharming southern village and many others like it yesterday. barbaric. At 9.30 on the evening of December 2 his wife, Leela, and his son Lal,

Here, where at least 1S (some say 40) have died in grisly pre-election blood-letting, people were simply too scared to disobey the boycott ordered by the underground Sinhalese extremist People's Liberation Front (JVP). aged 22, were dragged out of the house and frogmarched to a cutting in the lane. They were made to kneel before being battered to death with wooden carpenters' mallets.

The main street, where booby-trapped or bullet-rid-dled bodies have been dumped with increasing regularity dur-ing the past two weeks was

One man's wife and son were seized by rebels and then beaten to death 9

completely deserted four hours after polling opened. Only a few villagers dared to

peep from behind closed shutters at the unwelcome sight of

At the local primary school, election officials guarded by soldiers sporting Americanmade M16 rifles, sat tapping the desks with nothing to do. "They are too scared to come," was how the supervising of-ficer who had been brought in from the north under armed guard, summed up this essay in tyranny.

He was, however, able to report that 34 of the 841 eligible voters in Tihagoda had sneaked in to cast their forbidden ballots in the first 20 minutes after he opened the poll at 7am.

He said he hoped more would renture out later in the day, but he was hardly con-

Across the road up a little dirt track a man, aged 40, who said his name was Manes broke down when I asked him why he had not voted. We didn't was are severed to? didn't vote, we are scared to," he said through an interpreter. "We have received a letter from the JVP telling as not to

Manes makes his meagre living by selling vegetables he grows in the small plot of land behind his four-room bouse with its corrugated-iron roof. He has paid dearly for his open support of the ruling United National Party.

To the JVP this amo

of democracy as a steady stream of mostly elderly people made their way to polling stations. At Rabula College, which has been closed for months, its buildings disfigured by JVP slogans in blood-red circular Sinhalese script, 300 people had voted by 11 am.

Across the neat rice pad-

mourning, with another family too scared to vote. The mother

villagers say were shot by the

Army last week on suspicion of being involved in JVP activities, simply brought the palms of her hands together in the traditional Buddhist greet-

Six miles south of here in the district capital, Matara, there was at least a semblance

ing and wept.

At army headquarters, in between speaking into his walkie-talkie to supervise the massive security operation launched to combat ex

 The commissioner admitted his job marked him out for assassination 9

pected violence during the day. Colonel Priyanka Perera put it all down to what he described as "clear psychosis".

These were the worst conditions for an election he could remember and the psycholic could be destroyed, he said, only by destroying the "terrorists". "Nobody wants the JVP other than the JVP themselves." he said.

The young assistant election omnissioner for the town, Mr Mahinda Desakpriya, acknowledged that his job acknowledged that his job marked him out for

"This is no problem," he said with a smile. "If I am



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Gandhi sets out menu for peace in Peking

From Our Correspondent, Peking

terday by calling for a new friendship with China and a solution to a bitter border dispute that has soured rela-

tions for nearly three decades. Mr Gandhi, the first Indian given by the Chinese Prime interest and to the benefit of Minister, Mr Li Peng, in the both our peoples". Great Hall of the People.

Recalling close bilateral ties in the 1950s, Mr Gandhi urged the restoration of the "vision of peace and co-operation"

He said: "I hope that this visit will bring us a new beginning." Mr Li replied: There is no reason for our two countries not to get

The speeches by the two eaders focused on the similarities between their two nations - on their large populations, cultural history, and on the

Mr Rajiv Gandhi, the Indian principles of peaceful co-existence which China and India improve, moving closer to tence which China and India improve, moving closer to tence which China and India. drafted in 1954 and which China's view that the border remain the official basis of issue could be divorced from their foreign policy.

They dwelt only briefly on the border issue. Mr Li hoped that it could be resolved leader to visit China since his through "friendly consultgrandfather Jawaharlal Nehru ation in a spirit of mutual 34 years ago, said the Himala-yan border was a big problem accommodation", while Mr but it was now time to look to Gandhi urged a solution the future. "I have come to "based on an understanding of renew our old friendship," he each other's point of view, said in a speech at a banquet which will be in our mutual

boundary question will be settled amicably," Mr Gandhi

In talks earlier with Mr Li, shared by Nehru and the late Chinese Prime Minister, Chou En-lai. he called for calm on the heavily guarded border, scene of a brief war in 1962, while the two countries increased co-operation in other matters. India claims 14.500 square

miles of land held by China in the western Himalayas and China claims 56,000 square miles of territory in Indian Mr Gandhi's remarks ap-

the Dalai Lama, and 100,000 Tibetan refugees in India since the early 1960s. Mr Gandhi said India rec-"We are confident that the ognized Tibet as a region of China and that his Government did not permit "political forces" in India to engage in activities harmful to China's

internal affairs. Some 200 Tibetans demonstrated in Delhi yesterday calling nn Mr Gandhi to urge China to respect human rights in the troubled reginn. Less than 24 hours before

other subjects.

Peking-based diplomats

have cautioned, however, that

a big breakthough on the

border issue is unlikely during

The two men also discussed

Tibet, a sensitive issue because of the presence of

Tibet's exiled spiritual leader,

Gandhi's five-day visit.

Mr Gandhi's arrival, more than 150 Tibetans marched close to the Great Hall of the People in protest at police shootings of pro-indepenpeared to confirm India had dence demonstrat abandoned its position that on December 10. dence demonstrators in Lhasa



Mr Gandhi wielding chopsticks at a Peking banquet where he urged an end to the border dispute between India and China.

Decade of Cambodia conflict winding down

Hanoi pulls out 18,000 troops

From Humphrey Hawksley, Xamat, Vietnamese-Cambodian border

terday. Some of the toughest soldiers in the world in some of the tattiest uniforms rode a convoy of trucks out of Cam-bodia in what Hanoi claims to be its biggest withdrawal of troops in 10 years of fighting.

Behind them were anti-aircraft guns, which had been used against Thai aircraft and 105mm artillery, which had pounded Khmer Rouge guer-rilla positions for the past

The Vietnamese military commander embraced the Cambodian civilian provincial leader of Kompong Cham. Children lined the road, waving flags depicting Vietnamese-Cambodian friend-

But the banners thanking the troops for fulfilling their giorious duty showed the differences between the two countries - the Cambodian written tion is under control. All

in a Sanskrit derivative script, the Vietnamese in Roman lettering. The chief military spokesman, General Nguyen Van Thai, looked suprised when asked if many Victnamese soldiers had married Cambodian girls. They had

Eighteen thousand troops are coming out of Cambodia before Christmas, according to the Vietnamese. Six thousand along this route, arriving after a four-day trek from Battambang and Sisophon in the north-west of the country near the Thai border. The rest are making their way along three other land routes and in boats down the Mekong river.

Fifty thousand will stay behind until 1990. About 55,000 have died or been wounded in the invasion and occupation of Cambodia. But

training. He denied reports knows?" that Vietnamese soldiers were being infiltrated into the poorly-equipped Cambodian Army to ensure the Khmer Rouge did not come to power

But the Khmer Rouge is still in evidence. Troops with minedetectors were checking the road as the convoy approached. Soldiers with machinegums were hiding in the undergrowth, and Mr Pres Samoeur, the vice-chairman of pong Cham province, said that Khmer Rouge killings had increased in the past year. He estimated that there were 1,000 guerrillas in his province

of 600,000 people. Asked why after 10 years in Cambodia, Vietnamese troops had not killed or captured Pol

Vietnamese military advisers Pot or his senior aides, Genleft in June this year. eral Thai reptied: "They live Cambodians are going to Viet-nam and the Soviet Union for on the other side, who

> The Vietnamese are pulling ont of Cambodia because they want to improve relations with the West, which has ques-tioned its troop withdrawal figures. But its paymaster, the Soviet Union, is also closing the cheque book.

> But the problem is what to do with the Army. The authorities say 25 per cent of the men — or 300,000 — may be demobilized.

• BANGKOK: Cambodia staged a farewell fiesta for groups of departing Viet-namese troops yesterday, giving maximum publicity to the withdrawal (Renter reports).

About 10,000 people lined the banks of the Mekong river in Phnom Penh waving min-

Hopes fade for quick end to the civil war in Sudan

From Andrew Buckoke, Nairobi

The postponement of peace talks scheduled for this week between a Sudanese Government delegation and members of the rebel Sudan People's Liberation Army in Addis Ababa has reinforced doubts that rapid progress towards ending the civil war is possible.

The government delegation was originally due to leave Khartoum on Sunday, but will unt now depart until next week, according to the Foreign Minister, Mr Abu Salib.

In the meantime, Lieutenant-Colonel Fikre-Selassie Wogderess, the Ethiopian Prime Minister, and President Mengistu's deputy, is expected in Khartoum.

Mr Sadiq al-Mahdi, the Sudanese Prime Minister, has insisted in the past that the continuation of the five-yearold civil war was due more to Ethiopian government support for the rebels than the and so provide for a final

The decision to hold talks with the Ethiopians before the rebels will reinforce many Sontherners' fears that the Muslim, Arabie North is only considering a peace agreement to provide a temporary respite

They do not believe the North has accepted the African, mainly Christian or animist, South's demands for share of the nation's resources. The South is almost totally undeveloped.

caused by the war.

It is now certain that Mr al-Mahdi's prediction earlier this Nimeiry in 1983. month that a ceasefire would be in place in two weeks will not be fulfilled.

His assurance that the constitutional conference, which would decide the future

grievances of the Southern peace agreement, would be population. peace agreement, would be convened by December 31 is unlikely to be met. Statements by Sudanese politicians should always be

taken with a pinch of salt. The Times was assured more than two years ago by Dr Bashir Omer, then the Finance Minfrom the drain on its resources ister, that the constitutional conference would be convened by the end of December, 1986. Mr al-Mahdi's first co-

alition government came 10 greater autonomy and a fair power in May, 1986, with a mandate to seek peace and, in particular, to repeal the Islamic Sharia Law which was imposed by former President

Although its harsher penalties are no longer im-plemented, the Sharia Law has remained in place and the Government has never proposed repealing it, only replacing it with another version of

Victory for airline hostesses in pay case

Wellington (AFP) — Seven-teen Air New Zealand air hostesses, who had sought damages totalling \$NZ1.5 million (£497,000), won an eightyear battle with the airline and their union over alleged sexual

discrimination. The Equal Opportunities Tribunal ordered the company to take immediate steps to promote the 14 complainants still employed by the company, saying its career structure denied the women promotion offered to similarly qualified men. Damages are to be agreed between the parties or, failing a deal, will be fixed by the High Court.

Detention law

Singapore (Reuter) - The Government said it would amend legislation so courts would be unable to question state powers of detention without trial.

Jiang cancer

Peking (Reuter) - Man Tsetung's widow, Jiang Qing, has been freed from jail and is receiving hospital treatment for throat cancer, an official magazine reported.

Victim buried

Madrid - The funeral was held near here of a policeman killed by a weekend car bombing in the nurthern town of Eibar. The blast was blamed on Eta guerrillas.

Flood deaths Jakarta (AP) — Torrential rains hurst dams in Java, triggering floods and land-slides killing at least 40 people.

Marcos better

Honolulu (AFP) - Mr Ferdinand Marcos, the furmer President of the Philippines, left a Hawaiian hospital after his heart condition improved.

Tycoon held

Rome (Renter) - Signor Elio Graziano, an industrialist wanted in connection with a fraud inquiry into a £61 million contract for Italian railway bedding, was arrested.

Vintner trial

Mainz (Renter) - Seven Rhine wine merchants went on trial in West Germany charged with selling 50 million litres of adulterated wine.



PARLIAMENT

Minister's £19m plan for eggs fails to satisfy

The Government's £19 million plan to help the poultry and egg industry in the wake of the steep drop in egg sales in recent weeks failed to address the main problem — the extent of salmonella in eggs and poultry - the Opposition said.

Dr David Clark, Oppositioo spokesman oo agriculture, said that the statement of Mr John MacGregor, Minister of Agri-culture, Fisheries and Food, was complacent and funked the

Mr MacGregor, in his statement, said that the uncertainty over the implications of Salmonella enteritidis had recently caused a sharp decline in egg sales. The Government has decided, in these wholly exceptional circumstances, to in-troduce the following two short-

"The first will provide a payment to egg packers for the destruction of surplus eggs for a period of four weeks from December 21. The payment will be at the rate of 30p per dozen eggs on up to 1.1 million cases. That will tackle the overhang of eggs in the system. eres in the system.

"A second measure will be introduced to help the industry to reduce the size of the egg-laying flock. This will provide for a payment for a bird in the age range of 18 to 30 weeks. The scheme will enable up to four million bens, roughly equivalent to 10 per cent of the laying flock, to be culled under the supervision of agriculture departments.

"Taken together, these two short-term measures are designed to assist the egg industry to adjust to the market situation now confronting it. The esti-mated cost of these two schemes is, at maximum, £17 million in payments to the industry."

Conservative MPs: Outra-

Mr MacGregor: There will also be payments which are estimated at £2 million to contractors and local au-

He said that he had told the European Commission of the actions. Parliamentary approval would be sought of estimates to

The Government had been formulating detailed plans to tackle the problem since the new Following the codes of practice, there was to be more stringent

Youth aid

demanded

Mr Calum Macdonald (West-

ern Isles, Lab) asked that it should be made Government

policy to give income support to 16 to 18-year-olds for whom the Government had oot found a place on the Youth Training

Mr Nicholas Scott, Minister of State for Social Security: No.

Mr Macdonald said that a

young constituent would have to wait seven months for a YTS

place and the minister should restore income support eligibil-

ity for youngsters who were willing to work or train and for

Did he agree with Prince Edward that denial of income

support could be a blow to wreck a young man's tife?

Mr Scott said that the constit-

uent had been offered a place on

a Construction Industry Train-

By Nicholas Wood Political Correspondent

About nine million people face a

bleak Christmas this year

Drawing on a recent report

from the National Consumer Council, which found that the CAP was costing the average family of four £13.50 a week in

higher prices and taxes, Mr Gordon Brown, the shadow Chief Secretary to the Treasury, said that an extra three millinn

wbom nooe was available.

AGRICULTURE

bacteriological monitoring of animal protein for animal feed; registration of breeding flocks and hatcheries for bygiene-con-trol purposes and stronger coorelating to imported nimal protein.

"I bope that the actions I have announced today, taken with the advertising campaign setting out the advice of the chief medical officer and presenting the facts to consumers, will help quickly to restore order to the egg market in the interests of consumers and of everyone working in that important sector of the food industry."

Dr David Clark, Opposition spokesman on agriculture, said that, after Mrs Currie's remarks, it was only a matter of time before the minister had to come to the House with proposals to spend taxpayers' money in an effort to bail out egg and poultry

Since her gaffe a few weeks ago, egg sales had fallen by half

 These two shortterm measures are designed to assist the egg industry to adjust to the market situation now confronting it

and the future, in the weeks to come, was even bleaker. They now faced with an

"We are disappointed with the statement, for he is yet again displaying the complacency which has characterized the Government's attitude to this problem all along.

He has manifestly failed to address the main problem of the extent of salmonella in eggs and poultry, which is the key to restoring public confidence in the safety of eating eggs and the long-term future of the industry.

"Whatever the facts, the public believe that there was an element of truth in Mrs Currie's comment, but the key question is bow much is the threat of salmooella. The Secretary of State for Health (Mr Kenneth Clarke), by his support for his former junior minister, clearly has a different percentive from has a different perspective from that of the Minister of

He asked for a small group of experts to be set up to advise on the extent of salmonella and to work out what cash was needed tackle the proble

Cuts in the research budget on food and agriculture should be restored. Those had resulted in members of the team working oo salmonella being given redundancy notices last month.

Could be confirm allegations made by Sir Richard Body (Holland with Boston, C) that the Conservative Government had watered down regulations on poultry-feed bygiene early in the 1980s?

Mr MacGregor said that obviously he regretted having to introduce the two schemes.

"I would much have preferred not to have to, but the plain fact is that we do face a very difficult situation in the market place.
These are my final proposals. It is not intended that there should be further financial sums available from those I have annumed.

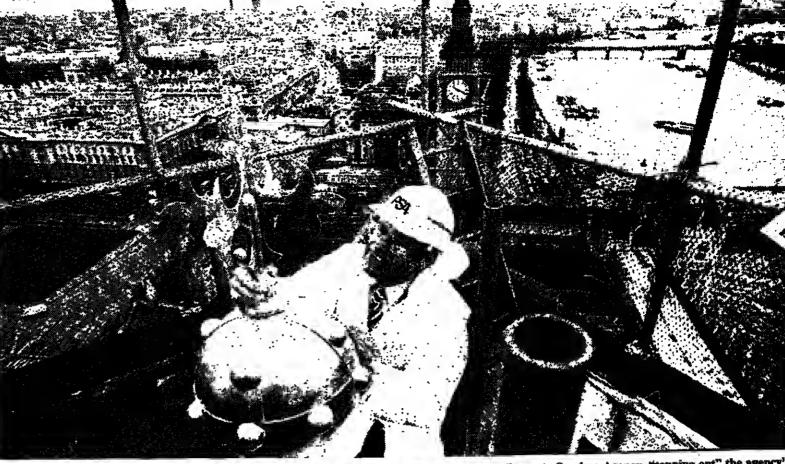
Salmonella was extremely difficult to eradicate. This new strain of salmonella had also arisen in other countries. No country had mastered the problem of salmonella in animals and poultry because of the number of highly complex prob-lems involved. Germs could come from the environment, from wild birds, and were sometimes very difficult indeed to eradicate.

"It would be misleading to say that it can be eradicated. What we are looking to do is at every stage of the production chain to look at measures that will minimize the risk."

It was not a fact that most exes were infected with salmonella. Official sampling showed that the incidence in breeding flocks nd laying flocks was very low.
If consumers follow the advice of the chief medical officer then the risks are very, very small

Mr David Steel (Twredale, Ettrick and Lauderdale, Dem) asked if was correct that those who had culled their birds before today would not benefit from the compensation scheme and that it was a future scheme

"Since we cannot open our newspapers these days without reading of some food or other which is dangerous to eat, will it be the policy of his ministry to



Mr Christopher Chope, Under Secretary of State, Environment, and minister responsible for the Property Services Agency, "topping out" the agency's renovation of the central tower of the Houses of Parliament yesterday. The 150-year-old orb had been removed for regilding

and less artificial means of production especially in food-

Mr MacGregor said that it would not be possible to make payments to those who had already culled their flocks.

"I do not think that it would be right to do that. We have moved with great speed. All producers, who are in a very difficult situation, will benefit indirectly and they will benefit much more than if we had not taken these measures." taken these measures."

A good deal more of his department's resources were being used to ensure safety in food. References to more natural foods had to be taken in

It was not the case that freerange eggs were in any different position from battery-hen eggs far as salmonella was

Mr Ralph Howell (North Norfolk, Cr. This problem was brought about by mis-informa-tion and incompetence by a minister (loud protests). Those who have suffered should be fully compensated and his statement is totally unsatisfactory.

Mr MacGregar said that he had brought forward measures very quickly to assist the egg industry. "I have been doing agriculture."

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The people were left unaware industry in Ulster had 10 mil-the home themselves.

Mr Jack Ashley (Stoke-on-Trent-South, Lab) said that there were 1,000 cases of salmo-nella food poisoning associated with eggs in the first 10 months

"On what date did this particular minister first warn

Parliament and the country about the dangers of salmon-

Mr MacGregor said that advice was issued on August 25 by

• Yet again the minister is displaying the complacency which has

characterized the Government's attitude all along

the chief medical officer. "It is important that these matters are kept in context.

There have always been cases of food poisoning with salmo-nella. It exists in most other countries as well. We have been doing all we can to reduce this.

"The number of cases to which he refers should be contrasted with the fact that consumers have been eating 30 million a day. The vast majority

ment had underestimated the effect of cuts in rate-support

How many local authorities were going to be poli-tax-capped? Was ont the truth that

the Government was trying to

lessen the pain of the poll tax by forcing up rates now in prepara-tion for the introduction of the

The Government was contin-

underestimate?

Sir Richard Body (Holland with Boston, C) said that he rejected what Dr Clark had said. There were two external factors over which egg producers had

One was what the feed manufacturers did. So long as some of them put into their compounds bits and pieces of dead animals surely this could contribute to the problem?

Concern had been expressed by many egg producers, too, about what was going on in the hatcheries and whether certain drugs, used extensively to sup-press salmooella and other discases, were continuing to work. Would the minister consider that urgently, also?

Mr MacGregor said that these matters had been considered urgently.

Protein processing plants had to abide by the conditions. The amount of inspection and monitoring had been increased. Visits by his officials were on a three-month basis.

Mr MacGregor said later that eggs would be destroyed and not

The Rev Ian Paisley (North Antrim, DUP) said that the industry in Northern Ireland was calamitous though it had a clean bill of health. When

lion in the laying flock. Now it was 3.3 million. "It has dived to rock bottom."

One thousand jobs were at stake in Ulster, plus another 2,500 which spun off from the industry. Those who had already culled their flocks should get compensation

Dr Lewis Moonie (Kirkaldy, Lab) asked Mr MacGregor if be would accept departmental responsibility for the shameful cover-up which had gone on in this country for years over salmonella in poultry flocks. If not, was be prepared to do the honourable thing, as Mrs Currie had done, and resign?

Mr MacGregor: There has

Mr Peter Hardy (Wentworth, Lab): Thousands of bousewives will already have made their Christmas cakes and used marcipan and teing containing raw eggs. Does be suggest the bonsewives throw these Christmas cakes away?

Mr MacGregor: Commercial producers of these and also of mayonnaise use pasturized liq-uid eggs. Pasturized eggs are safe. They are obliged to do this, so most products are safe and not included in the warning about raw eggs. It is certainly the careful about using raw eggs in

Agencies get more cash vernment grants to British agencies scholing

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The Government's inno-

vative and buge programme to computerize social sec-

urity administration meant

that by mid-1991 most lo-cal office work would be

Lloyd, Under Secretary of State for Social Security,

said during Commons ques-

He said that the result of this operational strategy

reduction in paper records as

well as producing more ef-

ficient service for customers

In answer to a later question, Mr Lloyd said that

would be a considerable

and better jobs for staff.

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start of the programme in 1982, the cost was likely to be about £1.2 billion.

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volunteers abroad are to rise by 20 per cent next year to a total of £13 million, Mr Christopher Patten, Minister for Overseas Dev-elopment, said in a written

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Voluntary Service Over-seas will get a grant of £10.25 million in 1989-90. The Catholic Institute for International Relations will get £1.16 million, International £980,000 and the United Nations Association International Service £605.000.

Co-operation budget

The Government is proposing to increase the Brit-ish Council's budget for co-operation with the Soviet Union, Mr Robert Jackson, Under Secretary of State for Education, said in a written answer. A proportion of the funds will be used to strengthen activity in futher and higher education.

The University Grants Committee is to inquire into the present and future pro-vision of Soviet and East European studies in this

£10m more for Hea

The permitted spending of the Inner London Education Authority (Ilea) in 1989-90 is to be raised by £10 million, to £950 million, Mr. Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for Education, said in a written reply.

He had taken into account that this was the authority's last year of op-cration. The maximum precept was being set at 77.61p.

Weight check

weighed by the traffic examiners in the six months to September, an increase of 80 per cent on last year's level, Mr Peter Bottomley, Under Secretary of State for Transport, said in a writ-ten answer. The number of

Parliament today

committee, second day.

Rate-support grant settlement

Gummer predicts rate rise of 'only 2%'

by Labour Average rate increases in England next year should be only about 2 per cent as a result of the It was ludicrous to suggest that young people could make lengthy journeys such as from the Western Isles to Inverness or Government's rate-support grant settlement for 1989-90. from Redcar to Hartlepool to undertake YTS courses. Miss Marjorie Mowlam (Redcar, Lab) said during exchanges about income support for young Mr John Gummer, Minister for Local Government, said in a Commons statement.

The settlement, he said, was good news for local government and for ratepayers.

The main elements of the The main elements of the rate-support grant proposals for 1989-90 were that provision for local authority current expenditure should be £29,140 million: an increase of 8.6 per cent above the 1988-89 settlement. That provision was 4.8 per cent above the argument authorities. above the amount authorities had budgeted to spend this year and broadly in line with the GDP deflator.

Next year taxpayers would provide £13,575 million in grant towards local authority services. That was £1,100 million more than this year. The amount of grant oext year would be in-

There had been fewer representations about the settle-ment this year, which seemed to indicate a broader level of contenument and there had been a widespread welcome for the certainty which the new Rate Support Grant Act provided.

ing Board course at loverness — (Labour laughter) — but pre-ferred to wait for a more local He also anounced the easing of restrictions oo some local authorities that bad been rate-It remained an option for bim

He had concluded, however, that Camden, which was overspending by £216 for every adult, did not need to bave an increase in its expenditure level. Tower Hamlets could spend £1 million more, provided it estab-lished proper financial control.

Greenwich could spend £2 million more, but that would be linked specifically to improved performance oo social services, particularly concerning children at risk. Hackney would also be able to spend £1 million more, and Southwark £6 million more, but on condition that they made improvements io their rent collection procedures and other financial matters.

Mr Clive Soley, an Opposition spokesman on housing and local government, said that Mr Gummer cut an unlikely Father Christmas figure. What the statement really meant was that the statement really meant was that the average unrebated domestie rate bill was likely to exceed £500 in 1989-90.

It was already £468 compared with £131 when Labour left office in 1979 and the figure of £500 was only the average. For those living in Labour and Conservative boroughs who

were above that average, the increase would be much more painful. Why did Mr Gummer bring his office into disrepute by dressing up the figures when it would be more bonest to admit

Would the Government increase the rate-support grant to take into account the estimated



Mr Soley: Minister is an unlikely Father Christmas

mined to cut local authority expenditure regardless of the consequences.

The cumulative loss of rate

increase in inflation from its present 6.4 per cent in 7.0 per cent next year? In view of the fact that for

support grant since 1979 was £22 billion; that was why Conservative and Labour autharities were complaining so bitterly about Government

authorities were in general less efficient than Conservative ones. If the Government was

trying to force up rates, it would not be announcing 9 per cent

Mr Gunmer said that it was hard to take such comments seriously when he was announcing a grant increase of 9 per cent. If the community charge was

being introduced this year, it would be £100 a person more expensive to live in a Labour borough than a Conservative authority. That was because Labour

The Government had a

got its sums right, or would this turn out to be another vulnerable people in Camden are being killed every day by the effects of these rate increases Unless we bold it down they will find it impossible to pay rates."

authority spending. Camden, for example, spent 30 per cent

Mr Tony Banks (Newham North West, Lab): Did the minister really say that old people are being killed in Camden because of the impact of high rates? I am sure that it is what be said and that he will want to withdraw it. It is a grategure thing to say shout any grotesque thing to say about any local authority. Camden had one of the worst problems in its social services situation and it was not surpris-

ing that it could not meet the Government's target. For him to say that they were responsible for killing old people was gro-tesque and irrersponsible and he should withdraw it. Mr Gammer: 1 happily withdraw any such imputation.

Mr Banks: He said it. Mr Gummer: I am happy to withdraw it. It is not necessary

for him to have that humbug and ooise. I was using a kind of form, as he well knows. I am saying that Camden is perfectly able to provide proper services at lower cost. It is a badly organized, badly run local au-thority. That is why it spends 30

'We hope market will rise'

HOUSE OF LORDS

The Government boped that the demand for eggs would rise again quickly, Lady Trumpington, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said in the Lords when she was questioned about the statement on Government compensation for the poultry

Lord Nagent of Guildford (C) said that the use of poultry offal and poultry deep litter should be prohibited as they were clearly a main sources of salmonella. A cull of 10 per cent was unlikely to be sufficient. It was

more likely to need a 30 per cent cull and bigger compensation would be needed to save the poultry industry from disaster. Lady Trumpington said that she was not sure that banning the use of poultry offal was practical because it was used in feedstuffs of varying kinds and protein processing killed all the salmonella.

Lord Cledwyn of Penrhos, leader of the Labour peers, asked what percentage of the poultry stock was thought to be infected at present.

Lady Trampington said that she could not tell him the

Family credit take-up rate nearly 40%, Moore says

The take-up rate of family credit is nearly 40 per cent, Mr John Moore, Secretary of State for Social Security, said at ques-

Mr Frank Field (Birkenhead, Lab), chairman of the Select Committee on Social Services, asked when the Governmen would meet its modest objective of a 60 per cent take-up.

Mr Moore said that he was as disappointed as Mr Field by the take-up rate, but spending on the benefit was higher than planned. He had said that since the

To emphasize the costs of the CAP, Labour yesterday distrib-oted 100 hampers worth £13.50

Later, Mr Andrew Mitchell (Gedling, C) said that many felt that child benefit, as at present constituted, was not best tar-

money should go to families and children most in need rather than being spread.

Mr Moore said that it was right to remind the House that, despite the absence of uprating, the Government was spending £4.5 billion on child benefit. It was also right that 70 per cent of that went to families with in-

comes above average earnings. Mr Neil Hamilton (Tatton, C) said that most child benefit went to households paying out more in tax than they obtained in

He could not understand the extraordinary attitude of the Opposition which was opposed to tax cuts on average earnings but was prepared to shower child benefit on the rich.

Mr Moore said that 80 per cent or more of the recipients of benefit were also tempayers and had benefited more than some-

record of the present Govern-

sition spokesman on social sec-urity, said that in the lifetime of this Government, successive chancellors had raised the mar-ried man's tax allowance by 22 per cent, while successive chan-cellors had reduced social sec-urity and child benefit by 13 per

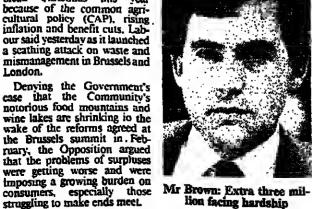
By what process of logic did the Government conclude that the cost of maintaining a wife had gone up by a fifth, while that of looking after a child had gone down by an eighth? Mr Moore said that it was incomprehensible that the Op-

position should have the temerpersecut strong make a comparison between the record on child benefit of their Government when in office and the record of the present Governm

In only one out of sixty-two, sad months had the Labour Government, in its help for families with children, come commence mean the complete near the con

on lorries About 60,000 lorries were tachograph checks had gone up by nearly 40 per cent.

Commons (2.30): Questions: Education and science; Prime Minister. Social security uprating and re-rating orders. Motion on Scottish affairs select committee, Mo tion on ministerial and



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Christmas.

just paying the bills of the CAP, there is more severe poverty this Christmas than at any time



Bleak holiday 'for nine million'

pensioners, children and adults were facing hardship this

"With families facing price rises, benefit cuts and £13.50

during Mrs Thatcher's nine-and-a-half years years in office... "Three million people may not be able to afford Christmas presents or celebrations and around one million children may go without any toys or Mr Brown added that this poorest section of society might not even be able to afford a Christmas dinner, now typically

Labour MEPs, who joined Mr Brown at a press conference at Westminster, highlighted what they described as the waste and inefficiency of the CAP. Mr Barry Seal, leader of the British Labour Group, said:
"Whatever the British Government says, the food mountains
are continuing to grow".

They released figures showing that last year the fruit and vegetables surplus amounted to 2,600,000 tonnes, most of which was destroyed at the rate of 1871b every second of the year. According to the latest figures, other surpluses included more

than 10 million tonnes of cere-als, 163,000 tonnes of butter, 402,000 tonnes of olive oil, 560,000 tonnes of butter, 39,000 tonnes of tobacco and 9 million bectolitres of alcohol. and in the United States and the

Mr Stan Newens, deputy leader of the group, said that developing countries also suf-fered from the CAP because much unwanted food was dumped on world markets, so lowering demand for their ex-ports. The EEC is now the biggest sugar exporter in the world, after Cuba.

mountain, they said.

reform of the system of farm price support aimed at generat-ing a prosperous farming community without the draw-backs of the present policy.

He called for fundamental

Soviet Union were building down the size of the grain

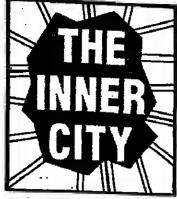
start of the scheme more than 459,000 claims had been received. At the end of November more than 260,000 families were receiving family credit with about 47,000 claims in hand. The underlying case load ap-proached 300,000.

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SPECTRUM

Helping yourself to the future



After years of despair and official neglect, some of the people of our inner cities are finding that the answers to their

problems can be found in their own hands. Colin Ward examines the success of housing co-operatives - and the suspicions of the politicians

Chester, among the boutiques and wine bars in The Rows in the centre of that city. "But where do the poor people live?" he asked. "Oh, out there," he was told, with an arm pointed in the general direction of the Lache estate. "We call them the Reservations."

No one has been willing to come out to me with the statement that people with low incomes and no chance of a mortgage have oo right to occupy valuable space in the city, possibly because, as a legacy from the past, so many do.

I have lived long enough to have

seen the transitory triumphs of two opposed ideologies in city housing. When I was young the advocates of compreheosive redevelopment rejoiced that bombing had provided opportunities that would not have arisen in decades of slum clearance. Wheo they ran out of bomb sites, following the ideology of raze and rise, they created their own bomh

Nobody cared to listen in the Fifties and Sixties, and even in the Seventies, when the cash was still swilling around in the urban renewal bran-tub, to those who

ay Gosling was inter-viewing citizens of and county halls (verified by a and county halls (verified by a clerk in the passenger seat of a moving car, ticking off oumbers so that the closure orders would be correctly addressed) selected one side of whole streets for demolition while identical houses on the other side were slowly begin-ning their upward spiral, aided by the merry whirr of Black and Decker, into the sought-after end of the housing market. A comparison of the prices that the rescued houses fetch today with the sad condition of the estates opposite is instructive in pondering the conclusion reached by Graham

Lomas, deputy strategic planner for the GLC 15 years ago, that in

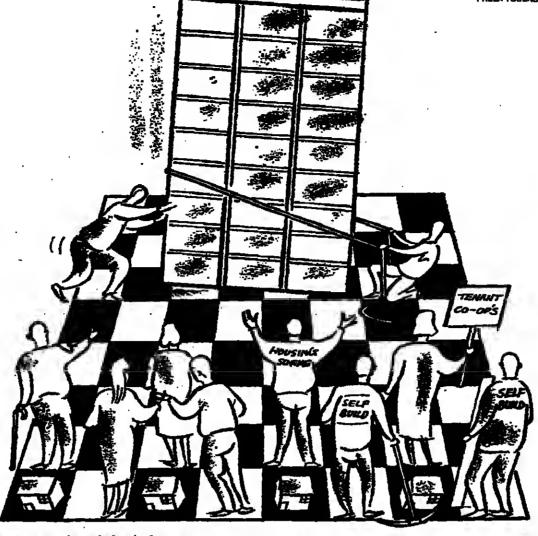
Londoo more fit houses had been

destroyed by public authorities

since the war than had been

It was inevitable, therefore, that the pendulum of opinioo should have swung against the direct provision of local authority rented housing. But the current mood is equally dangerous and destruc-tive. Talk to politicians and they ignore not just the destitute people living rough, but also the low-paid employed who are hanging oo to a low-paid job as an alternative to unemployment, and are quite

unable to find a slot in the housing



between two theoretical attitudes which do not relate to the facts. Fortunately, there are in British cities a whole series of small but

successful examples of approaches which ought to be acceptable on both sides of the political divide because they exemplify dweller control (something taken for granted by the owner-occupier) as the first principle of housing.

In London, where the pressure on housing land is greatest, the Lewisham Self-Build Housing Society, sponsored by one vote of the borough council, housed themselves in light-weight but high-quality houses on sites too small or awkward for the council to use. It took years of argument with the planners, the district surveyor and even the Inland

Revenue, yet members tell me that the whole experience has changed their lives. On the South Bank, after years

of manoeuvring in the face of plans for commercial development, members of the Mulberry Housing Co-op at Coin Street have at last moved into their houses, around a green square, and with public access to the riverside, reclaiming for ordinary, civilized purposes a site which I have seen derelict and

empty ever since the last war. In Hull, Giroscope, a group of formerly unemployed young people, are successfully rehabilitating old houses for the homeless young, including themselves. In Bristol the Zenzele Self-Build Housing Society, consisting of 12

young people, unemployed and hlack, have not only housed themselves, but have gained the skills to support themselves in new ventures.

Glasgow, which I would once have seen as the most paternalist of housing authorities in Britain, has adopted a policy of sponsoring tenant co-operatives, sometimes heavy handedly, but sometimes with ootstanding results. The for-mer director of housing there declared a couple of years ago: 'Our greatest resource is not council houses, but the tenants. The potential is there, waiting to

He was absolutely right, and I am sorry that he did oot stay longer to help release it, for I learned from Glasgow tenants that

'You conclude that politicians do not trust ordinary citizens with the task of hiring an architect, finding a site and then convincing funding agencies of their probity'

they looked to Liverpool for their

In that city, tenant co-operatives began in the early Seven-ties as a buy-out from private landlords who had showed themselves unwilling and unable to rehabilitate their streets of substandard housing. By the end of the decade, aspirations for housing co-ops in Liverpool had been raised further, thanks to the existence of secondary co-ops to steer members through the quag-mires of incomprehensible legisla-tion. It happened at Hesketh Street and it happened at the award-winning Weller Streets Housing Co-operative in Liver-pool 8. After years of struggle, it has also happened in Vauxhall, which has been showered with awards. The chairman, Tony McGann, is explicit: "Housing is just the beginning. We are making jobs, too."
But at the same time there has

also been hizarre political posturing behind the scenes. Io Liverpool, housing co-operatives were favoured hy central govern-ment hut, until recently, bitterly opposed by the city council. Io Glasgow they were energetically promoted by the city council with the absolute opposition of central government. The complex pol-nical reasons behind the posture adopted by councils and ministers were just one more crushing hurden on the citizens whose lives have been changed by the adventure of housing themselves. Yet housing co-operatives are hlessed in the policy statements of all political parties.

If you take a long-term view you are bound to conclude that politicians do not trust ordinary, illhoused citizens with the task of hiring an architect, finding a site and then coovincing funding agencies of their probity and credit-worthiness.

Every initiative I have mentioned has been faced with heartbreaking delays because the normal system of housing provision, whether public or private, is not geared to direct action hy

people on low incomes. The result is that a handful of activists, familiar with the Byzan-tine complexity of housing law, have had to find the chinks and lcopholes which will allow direct control of their own housing, so that they can become normal and natural city dwellers.

Colin Ward, the author of this scries, is the winner of the first Charles Douglas-Home Memorial Trust Award, instituted to commemorate the Editor of The Times from 1982 to 1985. Ward received the award for research into the revival of Britain's inner cities; he travclied to the United States and Italy as well as throughout Britain, and the resulting book, Welcome, Thinner City, from which this scries is adapted, will be published by Bedford Square Press in September 1989.

TOMORROW

Death by a thousand cuts: How Britain took the heart and the jobs out of its inner cities by killing small

industry, and how the Italians have found the answers

When the Bridge Park Centre is officially opened today, it will be a tribute to the vision of one man, Andro Linklater reports

There is no precedent in Britain for someone such as that one has turned for that area surrounded by railway extreme example of trimmph lines, the North Circular road black street thief who quits crime and then shows such strength of character and raw power of leadership that he ends up in charge of a multimillion pound organization.

Yet Leonard Johnson, n Londoner and the child of Jamaican parents, has done just that. Little more than a decade ago, he was sent to prisoo for theft. This morning, as chair-man of the £5 million Bridge Park Centre in the Borough of Brent, he will greet the Prince of Wales when he declares the centre officially open.

"It wouldn't matter in what circumstances you met him, remarkable," says Richard Gutch, assistant director of the National Council of Voluntary Organizations. "He can relate directly to the most disaffected youngster on a council estate. and just as directly to a government minister or even Margaret Thatcher. In the end, you have to use the word charismatic to describe him."

Johnson, n lean, husky-voiced 30-year-old, has been the moving spirit behind n project which ministers claim represents n new stage in the development of inner city communities. Instead of relying almost entirely on public fands, it is hoped that Bridge Park can serve as n model for community enterprises which generate their own funds, and

engage in entreprenactivity for local people. The site was once a London ways been to the United States Transport has depot, in an

and grey slabs of 1960s council

tonebridge, the largest of these, houses almost predominantly black (more than half the population of Brent come from the ethnic minorities, and it has the largest black population in Europe). "It's very easy to give up hope here," Johnson says. "I used to think there was nothing for black people in this country. We were rats in a ghetto, kept there by the In 1981, when there were

riots in Brixton and Toxteth, there seemed every possibility that Brent would go the same way, with trouble centred on Stonebridge. Indeed, on one occasion, police were lined up opposite a mob carrying axes, clubs and rocks. What stopped the expected arson and looting was the intervention of community leaders, including Johnson and his friend, Law-

rence Fearon. Johnson recalls: "We said to them: 'Whose houses are going to burn? Whose shops will get smashed up? It's not white people who will get hurt in n riot, we're the ones who will suffer. We understood their feelings, but we said there must be a different way,

there is n different way." The way they envisaged was Christian self help. During his spell in prison, Johnson had taken to reading the Bible "to



Building the future: Leonard Johnson, at Bridge Park Centre

hoax". Instead, he was converted. When he came out, he took a job as n bricklayer and spent his spare time taking his message to the drug addicts and the shebeens (illegal drinking shops) on the Stonebridge estate. Some of those who are now his friends remember hiding behind pub counters when "the mad preacher" came in, but there

were usually some people pre-pared to let him have five minutes to get the message over. It was always the same: There is no point blaming others for the state we are in, we have to stand up and work it out for ourselves. Each of us has something useful to teach, and each of us wants to learn so let's help each other."

Eventually a small group including Fearon, helped him

set un what became known as the Harlesden People's Community Centre to run a club in a basement car park where these ideals could be put into practice. Their meetings were often broken up by angry drug dealers, but they had enough street credibility to keep the estate calm during the summer of 1981. It was the autumn of that year when the Stonebridge Bus Garage came or sale. For a group of penuless youths, the price tag of £1.8 million should have put the project far beyond their wildest dreams, but it is a measure of Johnson's sense of purpose that a video made at the time showed him walking through the empty concrete shell of the depot, describing the training facilities, restaurant, gymnasium and business units that he wanted built, and then with an expansive gesture saying, "we'll take out the pillars and raise the roof so that we can have a sports hall". A feasibility study described

these dreams as "quite un-realistic", but Richard Gutch, then assistant to Brent's chief executive, remembered the personal impression created by Johnson and Fearon when they put up the idea. He says: "It wasn't so much the project we thought worth supporting, as the group of people who put it forward."

In May 1982, Brent, together with the Greater London Council and the Department of the Environment put up the necessary money, and the HPCC took possession of their derelict property. It has taken n fur-ther six years and £3.3 million

to transform it into today's Bridge Park Centre, which is used by over 6,000 people a week. In keeping with the original ideas, it consists of a massive sports arena scating 1,200 people, units for 32 theatre, a restaurant and bar. Public funds made Bridge Park possible, but what gives the project its particular individual enterprise. It owns a construction company, a training company, and an enterprise centre, and plans to set up a housing association to

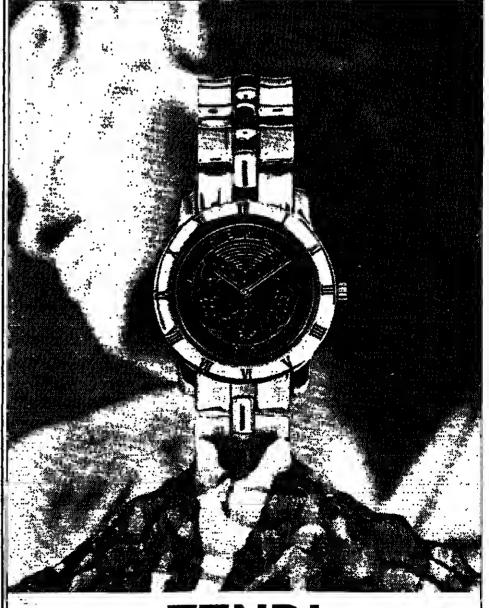
will be £600 million spent on right. You can't expect people other black communities.

Mike Wilson, the centre's manager, points out. "Bridge Park will play a major role in ensuring that as much as possible of that money goes back to local people. When the we intend to be in a position to

brought a trail of ministers to normally categorize as the the Thatcherite implications. "I believe people have got to take advantage of future get up and do it for them-redevelopment in Brent. get up and do it for them-selves," he insists. "If Mrs "In the next 20 years, there Thatcher says that, she is

ever deserving the HPCC were, Bridge Park still needed massive public investment to get started. Yet the measure of their achievement is that they the money at all. The failure of It is this attitude which has projects in the past has helped to confirm the impression that an area which they would black people lacked enter-normally categorize as the prise. Yet as Wilson points preserve of the "loony left". out, it was the spirit of Johnson himself does not deny enterprise and an urge to better themselves that brought their parents to Britain in the first place. In short, Bridge Park's real significance may be as a message of hope to

Others point out that how-



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DIARY

DAVID WALKER

he Earl of Caithness is one of those Upper House workhorses whose ju-nior ministerial hrief takes in bousing and the general run of greenery, including the disposal of noxious wastes. And what he does not know about wastes now, he surely soon will. UK Nirex, ouclear waste disposers to the nation are about to tell his colleagues in the Energy department that a jolly good site for dumping "low-level" radioactive waste is on Atomic Energy Authority land at Dounreay, in the far north of Scotland. A mine is envisaged, though the engineers say its tunnels would have to extend outside the authority's territory underneath land belonging to a certain Scottish earl. The Earl of Caithness, no less.

year ago the Department of Trade and Industry changed. It got a new logo, a new charter and, Lord Young pushing and shoving, a new subtitle: the Department of Enterprise. One thing that did not change was, arguably, the one thing that would change the department's character, its senior staff. Lord Young, it turns out, is content to let Civil Service rhythms work themselves out, so the top team has remained in place. Until now, that is, for word has it that two of the department's deputy secretaries are moving on, creating a gap in the promotions structure through which (it is said) acolytes of the enterprise culture lower down the department stand ready to pour.

n his new book Whitehall, out io the New Year, Peter Hennessy collects various adjectives that have been applied to the Permanent Secretary at the Treasury, Sir Peter Middleton, the chap who would have been Civil Service top dog if the chap from Harrow had not been appointed in his stead. Such as raffish, mercurial, roguish . . . He certainly lived up to roguish at the launch the other day of Her Majesty's Stationery Office as an "executive agency". The HMSO comes under his departmental responsibilities, and unlike the other of-ficials in evidence (and the reticent junior minister, Peter Lilley), Middleton seemed determined to extract some amusement from the occasion. This consisted of sotto voce one-liners and some vaudeville routines with his former subordinate, now his brother-in-arms, Peter Kemp, who is in charge of the whole agencies initiative: "Peter, over to you." "Not me, Peter, you Peter." Who said civil servants are dour?



BARRY FANTONI

'Remind me, does that mean he's going to the polls without Heller and Benn?

onight the head prefect himself sets out to present a new, user-friendly face to the world when, for the first time since he became head of the Home Civil Service, Sir Rohin Butler gives an extended interview. The programme, made by Brook Productions for BBC2, shows the limits of the television producer's art when it comes to Whitchall: this would have been much better as a radio feature, which would have spared viewers the obligatory "setting scene" for Whitehall consisting of guardsmen marching and geese flapping in St

Sir Robin, as you might expect, exudes his famous boyish charm. "Silken and sinuous"? "Clever and Machiavellian"? Never He uses the interview shamelessly to communicate as much with his fellow officials as with the outer world, putting over a message of reassurance, especially on the touchy questions of Ponting-style conscience and alleged political favourinsm. The most amusing segment in the film is when the cameras are allowed a twominute glimpse of the fahled weckly meeting of permanent secretaries: the Whitehall video recorders will have their freeze-frame buttons pressed more than once as junior officials try to decode something from the seating plan . . . Peter Kemp, who manages the new executive agencies project, at Butler's immediate left; the etub's only woman, Dame Anne Mueller, two seats on his right; Geoffrey Holland of Employment directly opposite and why that reassuring pat on the shoulder and conspiratorial word in the ear for Sir Gordon Manzie of the Property Services Agency as the meeting starts?

Interviewer Sue Cameron makes her mark right at the very end when she asks the Harrovian and Oxford rugby blue whether his entire career hasn't been a competitive sport in which be has now carried off first prize. He gives the English public schoolboy's answer - sport's for a muddy field; in real life, he has just glided, never seeking to win. The fact is, he is palently sincere io saying that, but with those words be distances himself as far as he possibly can from the spirit which the Prime Minister has been talking about for the past nine years. People in Mrs Thatcher's Britain, Sir Robin, are meant to struggle for life's glittering DILZES.

ntries are being sought for the 1989 David Watt memorial prize, estab-lished by RTZ, the international mining company, to commemorate the writer whose work graced this page until his tragic death in March 1987. The prize, worth £2,000, is open to writers in newspapers and magazines on internacional and political affairs. The 1988 prize went to Edward Mortimer, writing on the decline of socialism in Western Europe. Details are available from the administrator, the David Watt Memorial Prize, RTZ Ltd, 6 St James's Square, London SW1Y 4LD.

The result of yesterday's

presidential election in Sri Lanka will not stop the fear and the killing, or solve the island's essential problem: the racial hatred between the Sinhalese, who claim to be descended from north Indian Aryan stock, and the minority, Dravidian Tamils.

Despite the paradisial nature of the island, the two peoples have been at war with each other for more than two thousand years. The history of Sri Lanka is one of battles and treachery and parricide, in which the British colonial period was but a brief interlude.
The Sinhalese saw indepen-

dence from Britain as an opportunity to be free of the domination not simply of the European invader but also of the wily Tamil, who had ingratiated himself with the colonial power by learning English and administration, and whose principal industry was government. A greedy political class grew, each member of which sought to outbid the other for short-term popular power by appealing to chauvinist ethnic interests.

Thus S.D.W.R. Bandaranaike passed a law making Sinhala the only official language. But when he entered into a pact with the Tamil leadership, he was undercut by determined opposition from J.R. Jayewardene, then leader of a rival party. Bandaranaike was in fact assassinated by a Buddhist extremist.

Michael Hamlyn on the impossible task of governing Sri Lanka

State of constant turmoil

who believed he had given too much away to the Tamils. His widow, Sirima, who stepped into bis political place, has been careful not to make the same mistake and has constantly opposed the accommodations that President Jayewardene himself has been compelled to make with the Tamils.

In the meantime the Tamils were reduced from arrogantly demanding 50 per cent of the country's power and patronage to fighting for their very existence against a murderously partisan army. Political power within the Tamil community passed from the traders and landowners of upper-caste Jaffna society to the fishermen, who historically had been excluded from influence but who now took up the gun and so seized leadership of the community. Patronized by Mrs Gandhi in India, especially after the spasm

of killing and burning of Tamils in southern Sri Lanka in July 1983, the Tamil rebels rapidly gained control of the densely populated northern peninsula and became a major influence

throughout the east as well. President Jayewardene was forced to yield step by step by the intransigence of the Tamil gunmen and by increasing pressure from Rajiv Gandhi, who wanted an end to a campaign which he rightly felt brought no credit to

The Indian prime minister was also happy to send his troops into the north and east of Sri Lanka to defend the Tamil population, with wbom his own 50 million Tamils felt a certain kinship, from the Sinhalese.

The leader of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, Vellu-pillai Prahhakaran, made his organization the leading rebel group by killing off rival outlits. When Gandhi thought to force him into accepting less than the independence of the north and east for which be had fought, be turned on the Indians themselves. So far the Indians have lost 700 men to Prahhakaran's guns and bombs.

The Indians, with something like 50,000 men on the island, have been able to impose a political settlement on the north

provincial council run by the present chief rival to the Tigers. the Eelam People's Revolutionary Liberation Front But the EPRLF exists only behind the Indian barbed wire, and under the protection of the Indian main force. The moment

the Indians withdraw, the Tigers will once more take control, and the Sri Lankan armed forces simply do not have the manpower or technical ability to bold them down. It might have been possible for

the north and east to have settled into some kind of no-peace-nowar semi-autonomy under benevolent indian supervision. But the necessary leadership was lacking. The Sri Lankan Free-dom Party of Mrs Bandaranaike opposed, each step of the way. the concessions that President Jayewardene made to Tamil aspirations. She vehemently opposed the Indo-Sri Lankan accord, which allowed the establishment of provincial councils and the presence of

and east with the election of a herselfable to enter some kind of arrangement with the Janatha Vimukti Peramuna (JVP), the revolutionary Marxist organiza-tion which in 1971 she had put down with bloody ruthlessness (and with the help of the Indian

The JVP has since switched from pure Marxism to Sinhala chauvinism. It appeals to dispossessed lower-caste Sinhalese who are resentful at years of domination by the agricultural and landowning caste to which virtually all Sri Lankan political leaders belonged.

Over the past six months the JVP has brought economic ruin to the country, preventing the functioning of the industries, the agri-businesses, and the tourism on which the country depends. Government itself has ground to a halt. No government will be able to operate without either coming to terms with or destroying the JVP.

The first course means at least unravelling the Indo-Sri Lankan accord, which might well be thwarted by the Indians. They Indian troops. thwarted by the indians. They
Mrs Bandaranaike even found will have no wish to pull out,

leaving undone the task they have set themselves, and to which they have already com-mitted so much blood. The latter course means embarking on a ling, bitter anti-guerrilla campaign which the armed forces are by nn means certain to win. It also means a Sinhalese government waging war on its own population in the south, which is not a situation that can bring any sort of comfort to yesterday's election winner.

The new president may wish to ally the government with the Sinhalese chauvinism whipped up by the JVP, and in that case will want to remove the apparatus of local autonomy so painfully negotiated over the past five years. A better course, however, would be to marginalize the JVP, by using the so far loyal military appuratus to hunt down the guerrilla forces. At the same time a series of compromises on the political front over such matters as the provincial councils (nutside the north and east), the composition of the cabinet and the swift regeneration of industry and commerce, should be attempted to unity Sinhalese opinion.

The Indians will have to be left

in the north and east, since Sri Lanka's own army cannot cope. and Prabhakaran must not be allowed to reassert himself. Sinhalese pride will have to be made 10 swallow this bitter pill. The outlook is bleak.

Hermione Parker

The meanest trap of all

f all the myths currently going the rounds, none is more perverse than that of "targeting". The word is being used to describe those social security benefits which are means-tested. According to the myth they alone are fair and they alooe avoid waste. All of which is untrue.

National insurance and child benefits were introduced, in Britain as elsewbere, precisely in order to "target" benefits to those groups most likely to be at risk of poverty (the old, the sick, families with children and the unemployed) without subjecting them to the indignities and disincentive effects of the means test. A debate is urgently needed to decide the best way of withdrawing such benefits. Instead, the public is being coofused by misuse of terminology and over-simplification of the

Means-tested welfare is being hard-sold to the electorate, as if there were oo limitations to its usefulness. To overcome tra-ditional bostility to the means test, the Department of Social Security euphemistically refers to income support, family credit and the oew bousing benefit as "income-related" benefits, although each is subject to a test of capital as well as income. It is part of a campaign to bring about a new type of society in which a means-tested safety net will look after the minority in de-monstrable need, while the rest look after themselves, paying less tax and encouraged to save by means of income tax relief.

Ouite apart from ethical and social arguments for and against a means-tested welfare state, there are important practical

considerations. The case in favour rests beavily on three assumptions, each highly suspect: first, that it is technically possible to hit the moving target of those in genu-ine need promptly and ef-ficiently, and to avoid those who are not second, that the initial savings will, eventually, out-weigh the disincentive effects of means-tested welfare (Why work? Why save? Why marry?); third, that it is possible to control a poverty programme swollen by

millions whose poverty is tax-induced (five million extra because of poil tax alone), without the introduction of Draconian liability-to-maintain laws

and compulsory workfare.
Sometimes I wonder if those who put so much faith in meanstested welfare have any idea of bow the families they are supposed to be "targeting" actually ive. When government ministers talk about targeting they mean benefits for the poorest, yet one of the main characteristics of extreme poverty is uncertainty and constant change. Incomes change from week to week. Family members come and go. Keeping track of all those changes is impossible. Even now, it is unlikely that all those drawing family credit really need it, since it is awarded for six months at a time. On the other hand, most families thought to be entitled are not claiming it. For those who do claim meanstested assistance, there are the quenes, the constantly engaged telephones, the lost Giros and the fraud squads.

he beauty of child benefit is its reliability and unconditionality. While family credit gives poor families moocy but takes away their autonomy, child benefit is a base on which they can build without outside interference, giving them a small measure of the economic independence they yearn for. Rich families will hardly notice the loss of child benefit, even middle-income families will survive it, but the poor will suffer terribly. More will drop out of the regular labour market. More will bend the rules.

Means-tested benefits destroy self-reliance and self-esteem. Some ministers make excuses for the poverty and memployment traps, saying they are the result of kindly governments trying to help the poor. In fact, most of the working poor would not need help if they were not over-taxed in the first place. Norman Fowler, when Social Services Secretary, rationalized the benefit system but could not restore incentives because the problem is one of tax as well as



Forty years ago a couple with two children paid no net tax (income tax minus family allowance) until the father earned the equivalent (at 1988 incomes) of about £250 a week. Today they pay more in tax than they receive in child benefit once the father earns £137. Each time child benefit is frozen, more families are drawn into family credit. Tax is charged at the same time as family credit is being withdrawn. Spending power from a wage of £140 a week is only about £10 more than on unemployment benefit.

Lone parents are the worst affected. In London a lone mother may have to pay £100 a

week rent, of which only about half will count for housing benefit. After paying her rent she has almost nothing to live on. If she takes a job she cannot put her child-care costs against tax. So unless she carns £200 a week, her only real option is to stay on unemployment benefit and work in the black economy while her children are asleep.

The Achilles' heel of new liberalism is the fast-growing subculture of welfare dependency - fewer than three million claiming supplementary benefit in 1975, nearly five million today, and all the extra ac-counted for by people of working age. About 30 per cent of the

population (including dependents) are getting means-tested benefits of one sort or another and a further 10 per cent are probably entitled but not claiming. Once poll tax starts to bite. the total will approach the 50 per cent mark - an extraordinary

way to revive Victorian values. Experience, worldwide, shows the impossibility of administering means-tested welfare on a large scale with humanity and efficiency. By international stan-dards British income support is extremely humane. Elsewhere the assessment unit is often three-generational and there is much more stigma. In Germany, for instance, where contributory

benefits are much bigher, social assistance is used sparingly, the bill for it is sent to the nearest liable relative (or household member), and many people are too ashamed to claim it.

Those who favour "targeted" benefits want them restricted to the "really poor", but are not prepared to face the implications of what they preach. It is extraordinary how little attention is paid to the problem of cost control. When the Government says means-tested benefits cost less than universal ones, you can be sure they have used a tax/benefit computer model which takes no account of behavioural change.

lthough oo one can give figures, common sense tells us that a benefit withdrawn £ for £ (like income support) has a much greater disincentive effect than a benefit awarded oo grounds of age or disability and withdrawn at 25p in the £ through income tax. Experience worldwide confirms this assumption. Always it is the loosely controlled, means-tested benefit programmes that cause most concern, oot the tightly controlled ones, nor the contri-

Of course some degree of means-tested welfare will always be occessary. The point at issue is the scale of dependence upon it and the consequences that flow from it. One possibility is to reduce dependence on meanstested benefits by lifting the lower paid, especially families with children, out of tax altogether. Initially this would involve some redistribution from rich to poor, but in the long term all should benefit.

Alternatively, we can cootinue down the road to a residual welfare state, in which case it is only a matter of time beforegovernment will be forced to impose compulsory workfare and much stricter liability-tomaintain laws, as in Victorian times. This effect needs to be spelt out.

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Commentary • TIM CONGDON

Burns' morning after

Has the Thatcher government's economic strategy been continu-And has it been a success?

A conference organized just

over a year ago by the National Economie Development Office gave Sir Terence Burns, the Government's chief economic adviser, the opportunity to answer these questions. The conference volume, Keynes and Economic Policy, has just been published and contains a paper by Sir Terence on the mediumterm financial strategy. The strategy (MTFS), was introduced largely because of his advocacy
 in 1980. Many economists regard it as the antithesis of Kevnesianism.

The point of the MTFS was to pre-commit the Government, several years ahead, to reductions in mooetary growth and public sector borrowing. In this way policy would be both antiinflationary in effect and consistent io application. If all went well, not only would the rate of inflation fall, but also the growth of demand and output would be more stable than it had been during the stop-go cycles of the 1950s and 1960s.

Sir Terence's paper dem-onstrates convincingly that all did go well for a time. The MTFS had painful teething troubles in 1980 and 1981, when a severe recession caused the sharpest increase in unemployment since the war. But thereafter the numbers came right. Indeed, the years 1982-87 were virtually a golden age in macroeconomic

inflation did fall. The increase in the gross domestic product deflator (a more comprehensive measure of inflation than the retail price index) dropped from 18.6 per cent in 1980/81 to 3.3 per cent in 1986/87. It is less well known, but perhaps more rele-vant to an intellectual challenge to the old Keynesian consensus, that the economy also became more stable. The fluctuations of output growth around its average value were significantly less in 1982-87 than in any other five-year period since 1957. The great improvement in

economic performance is both a clear endorsement of the idea of a medium-term strategy and a striking tribute to the skill with which it was implemented. Sir Terence undoubtedly deserves high praise for his contribution to policy-formation in the early

But, when he moves on to consider more recent and present policy, the exercise in self-congratulation goes too far. In the conclusion to his paper, Sir Terence asserts that the MTFS, "as it continues to be pursued today, is identifiably the same as it was at the outset". Despite a gradual evolution "m presentatiun and substance" particularly in "the technicalities of the assessment of monetary conditions", the strategy is - in his view - "very much intact".

Sir Terence's problem is that

the economy has misbehaved badly since he delivered his

paper to the Nedo conference.

has been ruptured by a boom fully comparable, in its abruptness and scale, to the booms of the stop-go era.

The Government failed utterly to anticipate how vigorous the boom would be. In a sudden reversal of policy, it was forced to raise interest rates by almost 100 per cent between May and November. Had it not done so, a drastic and unexpected deterioration in the balance of pay-ments might have had the usual adverse effects on the exchange rate and inflation.

After this experience, it would be make-believe for the Government or its advisers to claim that the stability of the early and mid-1980s has been maintained. Instead there has been a return to the cyclical bad habits of earlier decades. The important issues now are to identify the causes of the recent boom and to ask whether any changes in policy approach were responsible.

Here we come to controversy. In late 1985 the Government repudiated targets for the growth broad money, apparently because the monetary statistics had become difficult to interpret. (The targets had been expressed in terms of M3, which includes notes and coin, but is dominated by bank deposits). Such targets were basic to the MTFS when it was inaugurated in 1980 and throughout the early 1980s. In the words of Nigel Lawson, as Financial Secretary to the Treasury in 1980, "the MTFS is essentially a monetary - or, if

you like, monetarist - strategy. For this reason the centrepiece of the strategy is a medium-term monetary target, to which we are committed."

It was while broad money targets were in force that the MTFS achieved its key successes; it is since they have been abandoned that these successes have been placed in jeopardy. Sir Terence cannot downplay the decisions of late 1985 as being concerned only with "technicalities in the assessment of monetary conditions"

As Lawson correctly stated eight years ago, broad money targets were intended as the "centrepiece". As he ought to concede now, the wildly excessive growth rates of credit and broad money in 1986 and 1987 were the main forces behind the boom over which he has presided. The current acceleration in inflation, like all its predecessors, is the consequence of discontinuity and irresponsibility in monetary policy. It would be quite wrong for anyone in officialdom now to argue that monetary policy has remained continuous and responsible in

the last few years. In his introductory reflections at the Nedo conference, Lawson remarked: "People know in their bones not merely the immense economic and social harm that accelerating inflation is likely to inflict, but also how difficult and painful it is to bring it under control once it has been allowed

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The Houndsditch crime was the murder of three policemen by a group of Russian/Polish so-called anarchists on December 16. Two of them were later discovered in a house in Sydney Street where they were killed during the famous siege.

> THE ALIEN **IMMIGRANT** (From A Correspondent)

The problem of the alien immigrant has been brought vividly before the public mind by the Houndsditch crime. There are centres in which the different nationalities are fairly well partitioned off, one from another, not only in London, but in Manchester, Leeds, and other great cities. It is, however, with London that the public is chiefly concerned, and with the almost destitute aliens who come from Bestern Europe. St George's-inthe East is more the habitat of the alien now than Whitechapel and the Russian and Polish Jews predominate. This is recognized to the extent thet Yiddish is. employed for many official and other potices.

The worst characters live in the neighbourhood of Grovestreet and Backchurch-lane. It was within a stone's throw of the former that a sailor was brutally done to death by two aliens in Rupert-street not many months ago. From this district come many of the foreign women who nightly visit the West-end. Among the men are many who have come to this country to evade their obligation of military service. There was a great num-

ber of these during the Russo-Japanese War. They had a military bearing, and their physical condition was much superior to that of the men who had been admitted as immigrants since that time. Many of them passed on to the Colonies, the United States, and the Argentine Repub-lic. The foreign criminal is not as a rule a well-developed man.

There is a regular trade among the foreigners for the admission of their compatriots. Arrangements are made in advance by which these workless, penniless, and often worthless persons are enabled to slip through the meshes of the Aliens Act. They are attracted here because of their knowledge that it is a free country, and by the glowing accounts sent to them by their friends and relations who are already established here. Once they have arrived, they are taken to the sweating tailor or those who make cheap furniture, and they work for almost their bare maintenance in order to scrape a few shillings together and to learn English. The children learn English very quickly, and they are, as a rule, fairly well nurtured.

There is one thing in their favour. The ordinary alien is a hard worker and moderate as far as drink is concerned. But he is a born gambler. Horse-racing is closely followed not only by the men but by the women, and the bookmakers secure a rich harvest in penny, twopenny, and other small bets. If they are successful in saving any money they leave the East-end and go into other districts where they will be free from their original associates, and they in turn begin employing other immigrants on terms as meagre and oppressive as those under which they themselves had

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OPEN FOR HELP

For nearly two weeks one of the 15 republics of the Soviet Union has been more visible to the world outside than any part of the country has been since the 1920s. While international rescue teams have been working alongside Soviet troops and civilians in the search for survivors of the Armenian earthquake, the usual formalities - visas for people and documentation for cargo - have been reduced to a minimum.

The Soviet and foreign media, a group whose motives have been regarded as particularly suspect in the past, have been welcomed - and not as admiring observers of a model relief operation, but as chroniclers, critics and communicators. The Soviet State, which liked to regard itself as needing nothing, has accepted foreign assistance on a huge scale, and expressed gratitude for it.

Many reasons can be advanced for this sudden beneficial change in official attitudes. It would, for instance, have seemed hypocritical for the Soviet Union not to accept foreign aid after President Gorbachov's address to the UN General Assembly, with its recurring theme that we all inhabit the same world.

Nor is the new openness entirely disinterested. Having taken the decision to accept outside help, the Soviet authorities could further their cause by making the full horror of the catastrophe known as widely as possible.

The fact that the earthquake struck in Armenia may also have contributed. Armenians have their own long cultural tradition of openness towards and interest in the rest of the world. Individual Armenians have often taken a more casual and more realistic approach to Soviet regulations, whether on internal travel or economic management, than have the Slavs to the north.

Armenian emigres are part of a well established diaspora which maintains ties with the home country in a way that has not been open to Russian emigres. News of the earthquake and its aftermath would inevitably have spread abroad. It would not have been possible to keep the disaster a state and military secret, like the Askhabad earthquake of 1948. Whatever the reasons for it, the acceptance of foreign help and the free rein given to foreign rescue teams in the disaster area, marks a significant shift. The question now must be whether it will be maintained and extended to the rest of the Soviet Union.

Much will depend on how the Soviet leadership reads the balance sheet. By all accounts, the decision to open the disaster area and restrict the formalities was made by President Gorbachov himself. He should be well pleased. The television pictures of the destruction and the plight of the victims have generated a massive flow of help, from medicine and medical equipment which the Soviet Union badly needs, to skilled rescue workers and money in foreign exchange that will assist the reconstruction work.

No less important, the openness has also generated immeasurable good will. The attempt by the Soviet authorities to keep the Chernobyl accident secret only reinforced western suspicions and minimized sympathy. The benefits of openness are now visible.

The international response to the disaster has had other effects as well, which might in the long term prove even more far reaching. Reports of the technical superiority of western relief teams and their specialized training will have brought home to many people in the Soviet Union how advanced technologically the West is and how comparatively well prepared it is for the unforeseen. Such information about the outside world was until recently accessible only to an elite, and sometimes not even to them.

Above all, the televised presence of so many western rescue teams in Armenia and the daily reports of western generosity and Soviet gratitude may cause people in the Soviet Union to question whether the world is really as hostile as their textbooks and political commentators have led them until recently to believe. It may never be as easy as it has been for Soviet leaders to convince their people that the West is a natural enemy.

PRUDENCE WITH PLASTIC

Greater freedom carries with it greater responsibility. A growing number of personal borrowers are having to re-learn this ancient truth as the rise in interest rates steadily increases the burden of loans taken out when credit was cheaper.

The past few years have seen a very rapid development in the range and availability of financial services of all kinds and sources of lending in particular, Deregulation of financial markets and financial institutions has contributed powerfully to this process, especially the encouragement of competition between banks and building societies.

As a result consumers have had more choice and a greater chance of finding the financial product precisely adapted to their needs. But a growing eagerness to serve the customer has inevitably placed a greater responsibility on the customer to shop wisely.

The rise in personal borrowing has prompted Labour's front bench Treasury spokesman, Mr Gordon Brown, to call on the Government to do more to protect people from the wide variation in interest rates. In an admirable entrepreneurial spirit he has published his own list of different credit cardproviders with the rates of interest charged surely a highly saleable service. He has promised to go on doing this until the Government takes the task over, a pledge which may leave him with a very long-term commitment.

Mr Brown has raised a serious question. What are the limits of Government responsibility towards the consumer when a free market among the producers is likely to provide the best service for customers overall? Mr Brown talks about "Government action to protect consumers from widely varying interest rates". He appears to mean action to protect them from the credit card companies, but the providers of credit cards already have a powerful incentive to stop borrowers from borrowing more than they can afford - fear of not getting repaid. He is really talking about protecting people from themselves. Individ-

uals have certainly been saving less and borrowing more. Competition to lend to consumers has doubtless contributed to this, though more important is probably the rise in house prices which has made people feel richer and more financially confident.

Credit cards are only a small component of total personal lending. Overwhelmingly the most important element is lending on mortgages where amounts outstanding total about £195 billion compared with £32 billion of other personal sector borrowing from the banks and £6 billion of credit card lending.

The fall in net saving is one of the reasons for the consumer boom in the high street which has revived inflationary fears and prompted the Chancellor, Mr Nigel Lawson, to raise interest raies. Interest rates cannot be raised without causing some pain. The whole point of putting rates up is to make people more cautious.

Higher interest rates are, indeed, the best possible deterrent to the excessive borrowing. The Government's responsibility is to protect the consumer from dishonest traders and to create an overall monetary environment in which borrowing is kept to an appropriate level. It cannot and should not attempt to discourage particular individuals or groups of individuals by law from taking their own financial decisions for which they are much better equipped than the Government.

Credit card operators are already obliged to display the annual percentage rates they charge. Stronger and more wide-reaching "health warnings" were announced yesterday.

There is still, however, a role for advice on the level of indebtedness. Financial institutions should have every incentive to encourage their customers to take the right decisions. Yesterday's warning from the Halifax to its borrowers to remember the higher interest payments they will face as mortgage payments rise next year was only common prudence. Lenders would do well to return where possible to a more personal style of advice to their

THE FRAGILE CRADLE

Mr Andreas Papandreou, beset by scandals, industrial strikes and resignations, emerged from Sunday's crucial debate on his Government's budget to claim a new vote of confidence in his leadership. The weekend's vote has reprieved him from an early election, at a time when the opinion polls have been registering against him.

But he still has to seek a fresh national mandate by mid-June. His chances of surviving that remain in jeopardy - and attention is once more focused on the fragility of Greek democracy itself.

"I hope you will now take some rest and look after yourself" wrote Mrs Thatcher to him soothingly in the wake of his controversial performance at the EEC Rhodes summit two weeks ago. He has left it rather late to heed

such counsel. Mr Papandreou's health problems, after complicated heart surgery in London at the age of 69, have raised questions within his own ruling Panhellenic Socialist Movement (Pasok) about his physical fitness for high office. His undisguised obsession with a mistress half his age, apart from offending Greek morality, has cast doubt on his judgement and stability.

There is also the spiral of unending financial scandals. Serious questions surround the affairs of Mr George Koskotas of the Bank of Crete, the way in which state enterprises entrusted their reserves to him and the apparent cover-up which has followed.

A Cabinet reshuffle last month gave Mr Papandreou a chance for a thorough housecleaning. He did not take it. In the subsequent weeks, two ministers were dismissed and three more resigned after protesting against the

"hushing-up" of scandals. The last one to go was the minister in charge of defence procurements who denounced the Prime Minister's closest aides for pressing him to drop investigations into defence contracts.

Mr Papandreou has dismissed these accusations as malicious - part of an international conspiracy to bring down his Government because it had emancipated Greece from big power tutelage. The theory falls on receptive Greek ears. It conjures up ghosts from the past when a massive defection of deputies forced the downfall of the Government headed by Mr Papandreou's father in 1964. He now says that the Greek people will not let this happen again.

Parliament's vote of support on Sunday has given him a margin of time to resist opposition calls for immediate elections. He knows that the Communists and other small parties want the electoral law modified to make representation in Parliament more proportional than it is

Such a system would not only make it more difficult for the conservative main opposition party, New Democracy, to win an outright majority. It would give even a fragmented Pasok a chance to participate in coalition governments. The Government still has time to introduce some form of proportional representation by next June.

Greece is now a member of the European Community as well as Nato and the West has a vested interest in its future stability. He has a responsibility to ensure that his country does not return to the political excesses which have been only too familiar in the past. The military been only too familiar in the past. The military is watching Mr Papandreou. The cradle of Charlton Kings, democracy needs careful handling next year. | Cheltenham, Gloucestershire.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A stitch in time for disasters

From Mr A. L. King-Harman Sir. During the 1970s the international staff at Nato Headquarters produced plans for a Nato civil emergency force to be offered to any country faced with a major disaster, such as occurred recently in Mexico and now in the USSR. Infantry units would be available for auti-riot and trafficcontrol purposes; engineers and pioneers for demolition and clearance: and field ambulances for use in their primary role. Appropriate air and sea lift would be ear-marked for the transportation of these units.

This initiative was blocked by the Nato military authorities on the grounds that the use of such units outside Europe would jeo-pardise Western security, whilst the Foreign Office and, to be fair, a number of other countries took the view that aid should be given nationally so that political credit could be maximized. The military response to this political initiative was, alas, typical and to be expected. As for Whitehall, the spirit of Bruges was already stalking the corridors.

In the light of current circumstances would it not be appro-priate for the Secretary General to once again put these proposals to the Nato Council?

I am, Sir, your obedient servant, A. L. KING-HARMAN. Ouse Manor, Sharnbrook, Bedford, December 14.

From Mr W. A. M. Edwards Sir. We in Britain and other peoples and nations have been striving to send prompt belp to the Russian people to assist them in their herculean task of meeting the needs of the Armenian people. May I suggest the establishment of a British World Disaster Fund to be used on such occasions as this. Clients of all banks would be

asked in advance whether they would be agreeable to contribute the odd pence in their accounts to the fund whenever the Government felt it appropriate to designate a major catastrophe as a world disaster. The spade work having been done in advance, the way would then be clear for the Government to take immediate action on behalf of the nation to declare a world disaster and to name the date on which the deductions would be made.

The way would still be clear for those of us with larger purses to make additional donations to the fund, the whole proceeds of which would, be given to that one particular cause. What a pity that we have not done the spade work already, for then the Government could have named Christmas Day as the effective date for Armenia! Yours faithfully, W. A. M. EDWARDS, Witley Park House, Great Witley, Worcester.

From Mr A. Cooper Sir, Whenever there is a major disaster in, or affecting, this country, an emergency telephone number is issued, consisting of at least seven digits, for anxious relatives to contact.

Considering the unfortunate regular occurrence of such disas-ters as the Clapham train crash and the Piper Alpha fire, surely, with present-day communications technology, it should be possible for British Telecom to reserve, and publicise (in telephone directories for example), a permanent telephone number, consisting of three or four easily-remembered digits (cf., 999), for use in all such emergencies.

It should be a simple matter for BT engineers automatically to route calls on this number to the appropriate emergency control centre, thus saving callers the worry of waiting for the next radio or television news bulletin to discover the emergency number, and then to write it down or

A. COOPER, 16 Southfield Rise, Leckhampton, Cheitenham, Gloucestershire.

Yours faithfully,

From Miss A. E. B. Lenton Sir, If anything ought to convince us of the need for identity cards, the Clapham Junction tragedy should. To save relatives the agony of identifying severely in-jured bodies of loved ones is

surely enough reason. In this age, when travel is undertaken by more of the world's population than ever before, it is a matter of common sense rather than the erosion of freedom. Yours faithfully, A. E. B. LENTON,

Rush Court, Wallington, Oxfordshire.

Tucking in

From Mr R. A. Whelpton Sir, The desire to find an English equivalent of bon appetit is essentially based on the premise that languages are codes, being no more than different ways of expressing thoughts and feelings that are universal. In reality the person who takes the trouble to learn a foreign language properly finds a world of different thoughts and feelings opening before him, and, indeed, becoming available to him: that is why language-learning is such an enriching experience.

Expressions such as bon appetit reflect attitudes to both food and people, and it would be a betrayal of our English nature to find a direct equivalent. Yours faithfully, R. A. WHELPTON,

Mrs Currie and the great egg scare From Sir Yehudi Menuhin, OM From Mr Clive Jacobs

Sir, Edwina Currie shares the classical fate of all bearers of bad tidings. In Shakespeare's Antony and Cleopatra the queen sentences the faithful, exhausted messenger to death; the scapegoat is sacrificed, thus delaying, diverting, and betraying the remedy.

In Japan the sacrifice of the chickens would traditionally have been contemplated and the gesture fulfilled by the committing of honourable hara-kiri by the poultry and egg farmers and their lobby in Parliament.

Is our civilisation really more advanced for encouraging and rewarding the guilty for countenancing the poisoning of its people, for tolerating unethical pressures on those responsible for our fellow citizens? Is is really more advanced than, say, the ancient Egyptians or the early 20th-century Japanese?

It is to the credit of the Prime Minister that she so very reluc-tantly separated from her junior tantly separated from her junior health minister, overpowered by gathering forces beyond her con-trol. One can only hope that the result of this revelation, which has exposed the symptom of salmo-nella, will lead to the heart of the matter, which is the cause. Is it that the very concept of battery farming is flawed? Yours faithfully.

YEHUDI MENUHIN. 4 and 5 Primrose Mews Regent's Park Road, NW1. December 18.

From Mr K. N. Redsell
Sir, The beadline (December 13, early editions), "Damages call after poisoned egg claim", led me to believe that the egg producers were offering to compensate all those who had suffered as a result of the 27 salmonella outbreaks. Imagine my surprise to read that in fact the egg producers were themselves asking for compensa-

If a producer of any product continues to supply that product after knowing there to be a problem, surely that producer is liable to compensate those dam-

aged.
Yours sincerely,
K. N. REDSELL,
Larkshayes, Burgh,
Nr. Woodbridge, Suffolk. December 13.

From Dr E. S. Hodgson . Sir, When I was a medical student to the bad old sixties, we used to call egg sandwiches in the hospital "salmonella butties". Yours faithfully, E. S. HODGSON (County consultant in occupational health, Staffordshire County Council), 15 Tipping Street, December 9.

Child-care dangers

From Mrs Valerie Riches Sir, In the Government's publicity drive in favour of more child-care facilities Sweden is being held np as a model. The underlying dangers of this are enormous.

Salaries of many Swedes hover just below or above the national poverty line. A family cannot be supported on one salary and health and welfare benefits favour women in the labour force: thus 86 per cent of women are obliged to join the labour force, though 62 per cent would prefer to be at home. The State therefore supplies a network of highly-efficient baby clinics, nursery schools, day-care centres, free-time centres, psy-chologists and pedagognes. Child-ren in Sweden have every modern facility available to them.

Yet problem behaviour is frequent among small children. One study showed that half the nation's seven-year-olds suffer from harmful stress. Teenage rioting is a recurring problem. There are

Traffic troubles

From Mr Martin G. Richards Sir, The December 7 article in your Spectrum series on transport and traffic problems perpetuated the fallacy that electronic road pricing (ERP) was actually im-plemented in Hong Kong, and then withdrawn. This is not so.

Although a study, commissioned by the Hong Kong Govern-ment and executed by a group of companies, including this one, had demonstrated that it would be technically feasible to introduce ERP, and that this would reduce road usage in congested areas at peak periods, particularly benefiting bus users, Government decided not to proceed with the implementation of the scheme, largely for political reasons. To report, for instance that congestion was caused by vehicles parking before reaching charge points is simply wrong. There was no congestion because there were no

charge points. All the evidence suggests that

Long-standing plaint From Mrs Paula Burnett

Sir, Mr John Biffen, MP (letter.

December 16) and others who condemn Edwina Currie for her statement on eggs should consider that through her courageous and timely remarks elderly, weak, and sick people who are apparently most vunerable to the effects of salmonella poisoning are given priority of thought over the commercial considerations of the egg producers.

Good for you, Edwina, and many thanks, for we all have responsibilities towards our senior and fellow citizens. Yours faithfully, CLIVE JACOBS, The White Cottage 13c West Heath Road, Hampstead, NW3. December 16.

From Miss A. B. Goyder Sir, Thanks to Mrs Currie the Government has been forced to warn us to avoid eating raw eggs and to hard-boil those we cook.

It should instigate an urgent programme of research (especially into chicken meal, with its recycled offal) and legislation to eradicate the danger of salmonella poisoning, so that we can return to our normal diet. Yours faithfully, A. B. GOYDER, Gate Cottage, Hampstead Norreys, Newbury, Berkshire.

From Mr R. Scott Sir, Could government and egg producers now promote a liability scheme to show that "These eggs are produced in accordance with the Government code of practice for poultry breeders and egg producers", with a simple logo stamped on such eggs? (The return of lion eggs?) Yours faithfully, R. SCOTT,

10 Grey Towers Drive, Nunthorpe, Middlesbrough, Cleveland. December 16.

From Mr Bernard Hypher Sir, My wife has invented a modern version of the medieval bishops' praegustatio ritual for checking whether Communion bread and wine were poisoned. She invited me to have some of her marzipan, to which I am rather partial.

As I have not developed salmonella poisoning, she has com-pleted the Christmas cake. She says that if a middle-aged male can survive, then so can the rest of the family. Yours faithfully, BERNARD HYPHER,

40 Twemlow Avenue, Parkstone, Poole, Dorset. December 10.

some 25,000 children to State custody, 12,000 of whom have been taken toto custody by force (Compare this to a sum total of 1,500 children in State custody in the other Nortic countries). Over 125 children commit suicide each

Among explanations for these social problems, the one most cited is the decline of parental supervision to a country where it is now normal for both parents to be working full-time.

Children cannot have their underlying need for security met without normal family relations. Children need contact, a sense of togetherness with their parents. Our Government needs to address itself to raising the status of homemakers, not yet another step in their demise. Yours sincerely

VALERIE RICHES (National Honorary Secretary), Family and Youth Concern,

Wicken,

Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire. December 16.

road pricing is technically feasible even in London, and that the decisions which will determine its future are largely political, al-though the handling of "visiting" vehicles is a much more real issue in any European city than it would have been in Hong Kong. How-ever, social research undertaken for the London Borough of Richmond this year suggests that even Londoners can see the benefits, and that many are prepared to accept the toconvenience. Nearly two thirds of all residents in this borough agreed with the idea of paying to drive in central London.

While the above does not necessarily mean that road pricing is right for London, it serves to emphasise the need for a properly and accurately informed debate.

Yours sincerely, MARTIN G. RICHARDS, Managing Director, The MVA Consultancy, MVA House, Victoria Way, Woking, Surrey. December 12.

numbers involved in a tunnel

Sir, This morning, on leaving Oxford Circus Underground Station, I asked an official what was regarded as a full load for a Victoria Line train, He said 650 people. I had just left a train which had been carrying around 1,000. Working on a careful, if diffi-

cult, head count, there were well over 100 people - perhaps as many as 150 - standing (if that is the word) in my carriage, and there are seats for 40. We were packed to worse than I have ever known (and it is frequently appalling) the length of the six-coach

Shall we have to wait until another horrific event - and the accident could be grotesque before station managers are prompted to take firm decisions in the toterests of passenger safety? Oxford Circus station is often closed to the evening rush hour to prevent overcrowding on the platforms. Isn't it time that other managers, at the morning crunch points, took similar steps, however much none of us likes to be late for work? Yours sincerely

PAULA BURNETT. 62 Queen's Road, SW19. December 14.

Letters to the Editor should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be sent to a fax number — (01)782 5046.

Fair shares for all over VAT

From Mr R. W. Maas Sir, I refer to your report (Business and Finance, December 13) of Lord Cockfield's remark that almost everyone accepts the need to make VAT approximately equal in all the European Community states if the internal market is to work effectively, and accordingly zero-rating should not be allowed to remain a permanent feature after 1992.

It is not clear on what basis Lord Cockfield feels qualified to speak on behalf of "almost everyone". would be surprised if most people really believe that if we retain zero-rating the Channel tunnel will be permanently blocked with German housewives coming to England to do their daily shopping for food; that the average French man will substitute The Times or another English newspaper for the French one that he normally reads; or indeed that French water or electricity authorities are going to close down in France and set up in England and somehow supply these commodities from here to the French domestic market. If the retention by the UK of zero-rating is to distort the internal market all of these things would need to happen.

The idea of the common internal market is surely that dif-ferent VAT rates should not influence people's choice of where they purchase goods or where they set up business. This has no validity where a person's customers are so localised that it is impractical for him to set up business in a distant location, or the value of consumer purchases is so small that for the majority of people the cost of travelling to a different country to purchase the items would far outweigh any

VAT saving. It is difficult to see any logical reason to deny a country the right to decide on social grounds to continue zero-rating items such as food, other perhaps than a bureau-cratic desire for tidiness. If it is felt important not to have three rates of VAT this latter could easily be satisfied by having a lower rate of VAT anywhere in the band of 0 per cent and 5 per cent instead of the Commission's proposed 4 per cent to 9 per cent. Yours sincerely, ROBERT MAAS (partner),

Blackstone Franks & Co., Chartered Accountants, Barbican House, 26-34 Old Street, EC1. December 16. From Mr Derek Bloom

Sir, As we all know. Lord Cockfield's agenda for 1992 includes the extension of VAT to become a universal tax applied on a uniform basis, though with some national discretion as to rates. Additionally, the intention is that goods and services exported from one EC country to another would no longer be exempt. Instead, it is proposed that the tax collected in their country of origin should be refunded to the country of consumption through a clearing mechanism.

To what extent this will come about remains to be seen, but the full scheme would automatically generate data on intra-EC trade. Consequently, the potential would be there to supply all the informa-tion that businessmen, academics, and politicians might want. It would be absurd not to make it available.

Yours faithfully, D. BLOOM, 47 Old Church Street, Chelsea, SW3. December 16.

False distinction

From Dr John Pennion Sir, You report (December 15) that the Church of England proposes no longer to use the word "mankind" on the extraordinary ground that some people may think it means male persons.

Is there any evidence that this belief exists? If there is, the remedy is education, not the attempted abolition of a word which everyone has understood for at least seven centuries. Yours faithfully JOHN PENMAN. Forest View, Chute,

Near Andover, Hampshire. December 15.

Diminishing assets From Mrs Christopher Tathom Sir, 1 too (Mr Ware's letter, December 12) am the less than

lucky owner of an ever older Premium Bond, AZ681230, purchased in November, 1956, which, together with its 152 siblings, has proved stubbornly and entirely unproductive. Though perhaps past their best, I would like to suggest to Ernie that these old-timers be given a

"consolation" draw at least once a

vear, with younger numbers being allowed into the "also-ran" club on a suitable sliding scale. Yours faithfully. REGINE TATHAM. 6 St. James Terrace.

Winchester, Hampshire. December 12. From Mrs Sybil Coote Sir, I can do better than Mr Pickin

(December 12). My grandfather (born in 1843) left £750 2½ per cent Consols to my aunt, saying "it would keep ber in shoe leather". I bave them now, and the interest barely buys me an annual pair of slippers! Yours faithfully. SYBIL COOTE 50 Boveney Road, SE23



COURT CIRCULAR

KENSINGTON PALACE December 19: The Prince of Wales gave a dinner to discuss the promotion of language skills in industry.

The Queen will hold investi-tures at Buckingham Palace on February 9, 14, 21 at 28 and March 7, 14 an 21.

The Prince of Wales will open an exhibition of Italian Art in the Tweodeth Century, at the Royal Academy, on January 12.

Birthdays today

Miss Jenny Agutter, actress, 36; Mr Michael Beaumont, Seigneur of Sark, 61; Lord Brabazon of Tara, 42; Mr Paul Brickhill, author, 72; Sir George Coldstream, QC, 81; Mr Maicolm Cooper, marksman, 41; Mr Peter Cundell, racehorse trainer, 40; Mr Charles Denton, television and film producer, 51; the Earl of Harrowby, 66; Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, MP, 62; Miss Rachel Trickett, principal, St Hugh's College, Oxford, 65; Sir Dick White, diplomat, 82; Mr John Whitney, directorgeneral, IBA, 58. general, IBA, 58.

Today's royal engagements

The Prince of Wales will open Bridge Park (formerly the Stonebridge Bus Garage Project) at Harlesden at 10.25; as Patronio-Chief of Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, he will visit the Institute of Indian Culture in its 100 to 100 t stitute of indian Culture in its fiftieth anniversary year at Castletown Road, West Kensington, at 11.30; and will visit the Department of Medical Electronics at St Bartholomew's Hospital at 5.30.

The Princess Royal, as President of the Save the Children Fund, will attend an evening gala, Joy to the World - a Celebration of Christmas, at the Albert Hall at 6.30.

The Duchess of Kent will unveil a plaque to mark the eightieth birthday of the Right Rev William Gordoo Wheeler at the entrance to the Catholic Central Library and St Francis Friary, SW1, at 6.40; and will attend the annual Christmas Calebratics annual Christmas Celebratico in Westminster Cathedral at 7.25 in aid of the Wishing Well Appeal.

The King's School Canterbury

Sixth Form Scholarships:

First and last

Christmas, the Post Office says.

Prosperous season for sale rooms

By Sarah Jane Checkland, Art Market Correspondent

Staff at Christie's and Sotheby's can anticipate lavish bonuses after the auction houses achieved impressive

record figures for the season just eoding.
Christie's recorded a worldwide increase of 61 per cent for the four months until December, to £398 million, thus creeping up on Sotheby's, the relative giant, which rose 41.8 per cent to £482 million.

Even Bonhams, very much the junior member in the London auctioo house quartet, boasted a 40 per cent increase from September to December to £15 million.

The only company reluctant to proclaim its autumn figures was Phillips, which gaver its total year's turnover - £94.7 million - an increase of 10.9 percent, compared to that of 23 per cent for last year.

Mr Christopher Weston, the chair-

man, said he was delighted with the figure, "especially during a period when we have had a policy of only chasing profitable turnover, rather than just turnover." Meanwhile staff at rival firms scorned Phillips's attempt to go upmarket.

With genteel understatement, Lord Carrington, chairman of Christie's loternational, described his company's performance as "very satisfactory", particularly against the background of continuing uncertainty in the financial markets. More than 50 items fetched over one millioo dollars, he said; six realized more than 10 million dollars.

Triumphs for Christie's included the £20.9 millioo raised by Picasso's "Acrobate et jeune Arlequin" last month. It was the most expensive object to come under the hammer during the

A Shang Dynasty buffalo-form bronze vessel became the most expensive Chinese work of art when it fetched 2.97 million dollars (£1.6 million) in New York. During the period the record for S. J. Peploe, the best performing Scottish Colourist painter, rose from £127,000 in August to £286,000, then £506.000 all in one glorious day in Glasgow.

Sotheby's chief executive officer, Mr Michael Ainslie, pointed out that over the past four years, his company's sales worldwide have more than tripled.

During the season, Sotheby's raised more than 100 million dollars at its New York jewellery sales, as well as a record of 17.05 million dollars (£9.4 million) for a work by any living artist. It was Jasper Johns's "False Start."

Likewise, Kafka's manuscript of "The Trial", fetched £1.t million, four times the previous world record for any modern literary manuscript. Added to his list of coups were the first auctions ever to take place in the Soviet Union, and China. During the forthcoming season, Sotheby's is expected to maintain momentum with the sale of Impressionist paintings from the British Rail pension fund collection

All was not unmitigated euphoria,

however, a certain oumber of star items failed to sell. The Mandalay ruby, proclaimed by Sotheby's as one of the world's most precious jewels, was a casualty, in October, while the "biggest flawless diamond in the world" was bought in at 12 million dollars (£6.6 million) at Christie's the next day.

In general, however, the market looks set fair for the future season. Whereas in the past great works used to disappear for a lifetime, nowadays, particularly in New York, they reappear within the decade, promising non-stop liquidity for the auctioneers.

It is also easier to borrow in order to

finance purchases, as well as to get cash advances against sales. Finally, the world's conception of fine art has expanded beyond recognition from, say. three to 50 specialities.

The only cloud on an otherwise bright horizon for the auctioo houses is the implications rising from the recent Stubbs law case. Here, a couple were awarded damages after a ruling that Messeoger May Baverstock, the Godalming auctioneers, failed to ex-ercise sufficient care in valuing two paintings later attributed to George

It threatens to force auctioneers either to spend more time doing their homework over attributions, or to face further similar charges. Messenger May Baverstock is to appeal, and the art market awaits the outcome with in-



Today is the last recommended date for posting first-class letters and cards in time for delivery by

Hertfordshire, yesterday. Mr Nicholas Scott, Minister for the Disabled, attended.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr P.J. Jones and Miss R. Maltz Philip J. Jones, of Sheffield, Yorkshire, and Rashelle Maitz, of Muswell Hill, London, are pleased to announce their

Captain V.J.G. Matthews and Miss F.M. Buchanan The engagement is announced between Captain Victor Joseph Garth Matthews, The Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, son of Mr V.G. Matthews, CMG, OBE, and Mrs Matthews, of London and Eggesford, Devon, and Fiona Michèle, daughter of Ma-jor K.C. Buchanan, Royal Artil-lery (Retd), and Mrs Buchanan,

Mr H.S. Pearson Gregory and Miss A.C. Bruseth The engagement is announced between Hugh, elder son of Mr and Mrs Joho Pearson Gregory, of Moontogton on Wye. of Mooniogton on Wye, Herefordshire, and Anna Christina, daughter of Mr Nils Bruseth, of Ruebury House, Osmotherley, North Yorkshire, and the late Mrs Nils Bruseth.

Loodon and Romsey,

Captain N.M.T. Stafford The engagement is announced between Captain Nigel Malcolm Tree Stafford, 9th/12th Royal Lancers (Prince of Wales's), only son of Mr and Mrs A.T. Stafford, of Brimpton Common, Berkshire, and Elizabeth Anne, younger daughter of the late Dr M.D.W. Low and Dr H.M.C.S. Low, of Edioburgh.

Mr G. Warr and Dr O.C. Brown The engagement is announced between George, son of Mr and Mrs G.M. Warr, of Frant, and Oenone, daughter of the late Colonel G.G.W. Brown and of Mrs Flick Brown, of Hartley Wigner.

The engagement is announced between Mark Keverne Courthope, only soo of the Reverend and Mrs K.C.A. Wills, of The Rectory, West Mcoo, Hampshire, and Vanessa Charlotte, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs J.H. Lange, of High Barn, Limington, Somerset. Mr M.B. Wood and Miss W.M. Govier Wright The engagement is announced between Marcus Bennett, son of Mr and Mrs K. Wood, of Claremoot, California, USA, and Wendy Margaret, daughter of Mr and Mrs F.C. Wright, of Carmather, Defed

Carmarthen, Dyfed.

Marriage

The Hon Thomas Watson and Miss V.M.C. Spicer
The marriage took place yesterday in Brompton Oratory of the Hon Thomas Philip Watson, son of Lord and Lady Manton, of Houghton Hall, Sancton, York, to Miss Venetia Margaret Cadogao, Spicer Margaret Cadogao Spicer, daughter of Mr and Mrs Paul Spicer, of Ovington Gardens, SW3. Father Hugh Barratt Leonard and Pather Alexander Sherbrooke officiated.

The bride, who was given m marriage by her father, was attended by the Hon Flora Hesketh, the Hon Sophia Hesketh, Marina Leese, Selina Payne, Hugo Payne and Tom Watson. Captain the Hon Miles Watson was best man.

A reception was held at Crosby Hall and the honey-moon will be spent in Austria and Kenya.

Mr James Russell received

shire. He once worked for the

famous Sunningdale Nursery

in Berkshire, bought by his

was involved in developing

He subsequently moved to

Yorkshire and since 1968 has

been building up the plant

collections at Castle Howard,

including an extensive collec-tion of rhododendrons and

azaleas. Mr Russell collects

Two honoured by RHS

By Alan Toogood, Horticulture Correspondent

The Council of the Royal preparation of Hilliers' Man-Horticultural Society has ual of Trees and Shrubs. In awarded the Victoria Medal of 1970 he became the curator of Honour to Mr C. R. Lan- the Hillier Arboretum. caster, the gardening author, and Mr James Russell, who and Mr James Russell, who his award for services to has been responsible for the Castle Howard, North Yorkextensive replanting at Castle

Mr Lancaster, of Chandlers Ford, Hampshire, who also is father and cousin, where he also a lecturer and broadcaster, has had an interest in the rhododendron collection. foreign plants since his training days at Bohon Parks. He collected plants while serving with the Army in Malaya and his horizons have since extended to many other parts of

the world, including China. He joined Hillier Nurseries, Ampfield, Hampshire, in 1962 the world and is also inwhere he was involved in the terested in tropical plants.

Loudon
University College London is to confer the tide of fellow oo the following: Professor Robert Audley (UCL)

Professor Sir Robert Boyd, FRS (UCL), Mrs Rosalind Gilmore (St George's House, Windsor), Mr Peter Hawley (St Mark's Hospital, London), Professor Gareth Jones, QC (Cambridge University), Professor Geofficy Leech (Lancaster University), sor Peter Moore (London Business School), Professor
John Nicholls, FRS (Basel
University), Professor Kenneth
Rees (UCL) and Sir Ti Liang
Yang, Chief Justice, Hong
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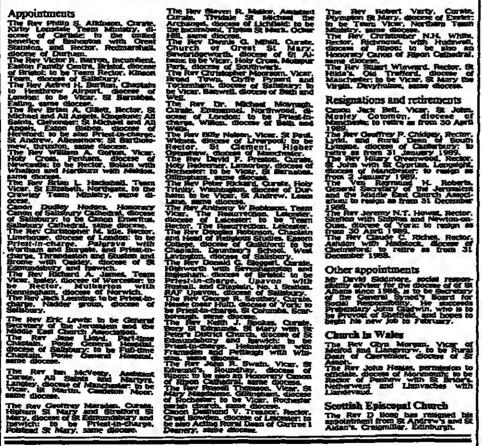
University news

The title of honorary fellow of the college is to be conferred on Professor Eric Handley (Cam-bridge University) and Profes-sor Leonard Strang (UCL).

Luncheon

HM Government Mr Richard Luce, Minister for the Arts, was host at a luncheon held yesterday at Admiralty House for the Royal National Theare. Among those present

Church news



Latest wills

Lilian Kathleen Pollard, of Col-wyn Bay, Clwyd, left estate valued at £1,641,325 net. She left £1,000 to St Joseph's Church, Colwyn Bay, and the residue equally between Oxfam, the British Red Cross Society, the Royal National Lifeboat Lastington and the Royal Nat-Institution and the Royal Nat-ional Institute for the Blind.

Lieutenant-General Sir William Alexander Duncan Drummond of London SW4, former Director General of Army Medical Services, left estate valued at

£328.051 net. Mr Stanley Jack Berwin, of Hampstead, solicitor, left estate valued at £1,896,403 net. Mr Philip Burdick Dans, of Christmas Common, Wat-lington, Oxfordshire, under-writer, left estate valued at £1,151,300 nct.

£90,695 net. Mr Julian John Buckingham Pope, of Teibury, Gloucester-shire, left estate valued at £t,875,167 ner. He left his estate

Air Commodore Sir Louis Walter Dickens, of Meysey Hampton, Gloncestershire, chairman of Berkshire County Council 1965-68, left estate valued at son 60% agt

foliowing:
Refect Bleck (Strond High School):
From Soday Commercy School):
Shaffesbury: Frances Chapple
(Warnine School): Erma Craft (St Mary's School, Shaffesbury): Refects
Phillips (South Hampsteam High
School): Laura Seebolam (Lest
Bergholt High School): Rachel Taylor
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Jane Toland (Wycombe Albery). Anniversaries

Resignations and retirements

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Mr David Siddindre, social responsibility adviser for the diocese of of R Abans since 1985, is to be Secretary of the General Syned's Board for Social Responsibility. He succeeds presentary John Gladwin, who is to be Provott of Shetfield, and hopes to begin the new job to Petruary.

CHUTCH IN WARS
The Rev Glyn Movem, Vicar of Medical and Llangmuy, to be Rural Dean of Caertalon, diocess of St Asabi.
The Rev John Heales, permission to officiale, diocess of Monantum to be Rector of Penhaw with S Erder, Netherwent and Llandvaches with Llandevand.

The Rev D Boso has resigned his appointment from St Andrew's and St Aldan's. Craignillar, Edinburgh.

Bryanston School

Sixth Form Scholarships: Awards have been made to the

Scottish Episcopal Church

Other appointments

Church in Wales

BIRTHS: John Wilson Croker, politician and writer, Galway, 1780, Thomas Graham, chemist, Glasgow, 1805; Sir Robert Menzies, prime minister of Australia 1939-41, 1949-66, Jeparit, Victoria, 1894. DEATHS: Ambrose Paré, surgeon, Paris, 1590; John Steinbeck, novelist, New York, 1968.

Appointments Latest appointments include: Rear Admiral A. Grose, Flag Officer Flotilla Three, to be promoted Vice-Admiral on Feb-

Mrs J. de Rothschild 40 years. A memorial service for Mrs James de Rothschild will be held at The Bevis Marks Syna-gogue at 5.30 pm on Monday, January 9, 1989. Manna Association, formed to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the drops.

OBITUARIES

ROY CHAPLIN

Hawker aircraft design: from Hurricane to jump-jet Harrier

Mr Roy Chaplin, who was involved in the development of generations of Hawker aircraft from the bi-plane pistonengined Hart of the 1930s, via the Hurricane of Battle of Britain fame, to the revolutionary Pegasus-powered Har-rier jump-jet which wrote new rules in the manual of air combat in the Falklands, died oo December 13. He was 89.

At a service in his memory an RAF Harrier jump-jet flew in tribute over the church at Chariton, near Malmesbury, where he had lived for the past ten vears.

He was born on May 16, 1899 at Kingston-on-Thames and educated at Tiffin Boys School He read engineering at London University from 1915-1917, and was then commissioned into the Royal Engineers. He served in France and Belgium from 1917 to 1919.

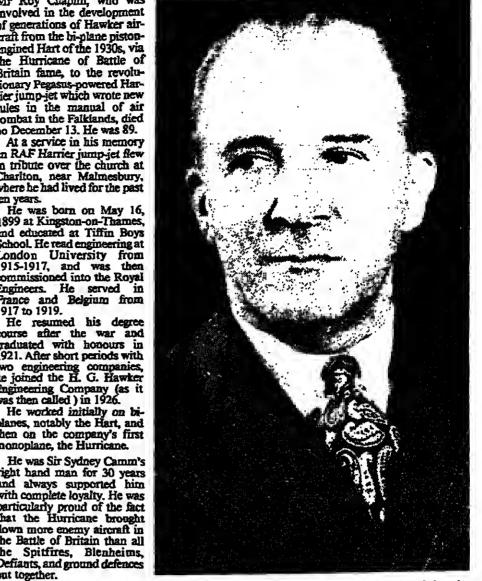
course after the war and graduated with honours in 1921. After short periods with two engineering companies, he joined the H. G. Hawker Engineering Company (as it was then called) in 1926.

He worked initially on biplanes, notably the Hart, and then on the company's first

monoplane, the Hurricane. He was Sir Sydney Camm's right hand man for 30 years and always supported him with complete loyalty. He was particularly proud of the fact that the Hurricane brought down more enemy aircraft in the Battle of Britain than all the Spitfires, Blenheims, Defiants, and ground defences put together.

He became chief designer of Hawker Aircraft in 1957 when the idea of a vertical take-off plane was being developed. They first built the P1127 as a demonstrator, and from this the brilliant Harrier concept was developed.

He retired in 1963. He was made OBE in 1946 for his work on the Hurricane and was awarded the Silver Medal of the Royal Aeronautical Society in 1960 for services to Although he had lived by



the Thames at Weybridge for 47 years, he moved, in 1978, to Charlton to live next door to his younger son and his family.

He soon endeared himself to the village, and to the end of his life contributed his unique talents to the community. His workshop had the precision of a surgical theatre, and he was always busy with repairs and gadgets for village activities, charging a token fee for his expert services which was returned to the village funds. He was intensely proud of

the key role played by the Harrier jump jet io the Falklands conflict, and followed its fortunes with keen and minute interest.

He married Madge Macey in 1931, who died in 1978, and had two sons who survive him. He lived oo his own for the last ten years completely independently despite being partially sighted. In the last twelve mooths of his life he mastered the word-processor and used it to dispatch letters delighted to receive.

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BRIGADIER GEOFFREY PIGOT Battling against the Bolsheviks in Turkestan

Brigadier Geoffrey Pigot, MC, consumption in the field by a Russian doctor served on Auchinleck's personal staff.

Shortly following this epi-1952 to become the first Commandant of the newlycreated Pakistan Military

Academy. He was born in England in followed for a series of 1896 but spent most of his bone graft operations. early years in Dublin. He was educated at Trent College, Derbyshire, and the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, before being gazetted in 1914 to the 1st Bn, 14th Punjab Regiment (Sherdil-ki-paltan)

in India. He saw active service in several operational theatres during his career, and was awarded his first Military Cross in 1917 fighting against the Bolsheviks in Turkestan while serving with the British force supporting the Mensheviks in Transcaspia.

It was here that Pigot was severely wounded, having most of his lower jaw shot away and subsequently having

Army which spanned both sode he became an Army first following the partition of In-World Wars, before being class interpreter in Russian. dia, in 1952 he was personally recalled from retirement in After the collapse of the invited by Field Marshal "Army of the Black Sea" in 1919, he returned to India on foot by way of Persia.

Several visits to England followed for a series of painful

However, in 1926 he obtained one of the rare and much coveted competitive places for Indian Army officers at the British Army Staff College at Camberley. Returning to India he was involved in fighting in the North-West Frontier where he was awarded a bar to his MC in

In 1931 he was appointed Brigade Major to the Pesha-war Brigade and from 1934 to 1937 he was the GSO 1 Tactics at the Indian Military Acaderry at Dehra Dun.

During the Second World War Pigot commanded 63 Infantry Brigade at Imphal

scientists.

Ayub Khan, then President of Pakistan, and an ex-Sandhurst trained officer in Pigot's own regiment, to return to set up and take command of the new Military Academy at Kakul, the original academy at Dehra Dun having remained in India. He remaioed in this appointment until 1955. Senior elements of the Pakistan Army recognise the major contributions he made to the formation of their new officer

Pigot was a keen horseman and had a deep interest in Palestine and adjoining countries. In 1923 he was invited to accompany King Abdullah of Transjordan oo a visit to Petra. He was a competent historian and wrote the official history of his regiment.

Io 1933 Pigot married Rose Dorothy Hemsley who died in

ILSE GRAHAM

Interpreter of the German classics eval literature to German for into Flesh: A Poet's Quest for

Ilse Graham, née Applebaum, Emeritus Professor of German in the University of London, who died on December 2 was among the most sensitive interpreters of eighteenth-century German literature among her generation.

Born in Berlin in July 1914, she emigrated to London in March, 1933. Scholarships at Bedford College, enabled her to lay the foundations of a future career in German studies, while discovering a natural bent for philosophy under the guidance of Susan

In 1951 she gained her PhD with a dissertation oo Schil-ler's View of Tragedy. In 1957 rated new directions of re-she was appointed Lecturer at King's College. When the title

title of Professor in 1975 were a period culminating in books on Goethe and Lessing — The Wellsprings of Creation; Schil-

the Symbol.
These works abounded with

of Reader was conferred oo Dr Graham in 1965 it was largely on the basis of ber work oo Schiller, although by this time she was also publishing on Lessing, Goethe and Kleist.

The were immediately be coocerned with artistic. creativity and the means by which it found expression in poetic language and imagery. International recognition followed in her later years; she was awarded the Vienna Goethe with a pristing and the was awarded the Vienna Goethe with a pristing and the was awarded the Vienna Goethe was awarded the Vienna Goethe with a pristing and the means by which it found expression in poetic language and imagery. The years immediately be-fore and after she received the title of Professor in 1975 were was awarded the vienna Goe-the-Vereio special medal and also received the gold medal, of the Goethe-Gesellschaft. Weimar.

Stebbing.

During the Second World War she taught at the London Colleges and Newnham College, oo subjects ranging from German philology and medi-

AIR COMMODORE ANDREW GEDDES

Air Commodore Andrew Geddes, DSO, CBE, who or-ganized and negotiated food drops over occupied Western Holland in April and May 1945, died on December 14,

aged 82. Geddes had these drops, known as "Operation Manna/Chowhound", carried out by Bomber Command and 8th USAAF. They saved the lives of hundreds of thousands of Dutch people, hungry after years of occupation.

During the negotiations setting up the scheme, Geddes became friends with Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands, a friendship which lasted over

to the Royal Air Force as a Flying Officer in October 1938. The Prince and Geddes were joint Presidents of the

the salute.

The squadron was recalled mained always a great friend to the UK on May 19, 1940 and under Geddes' command. cootinued to fly missions over the Dunkirk perimeter until the withdrawal of the BEF.

Geddes has always remained much involved with 11 (AC) Squadroo - in 1987 when the squadron celebrated

its 75th Anniversary, he took He was twice mentioned in despatches and the US Government awarded him the

year. He keaves a son and a daughter.

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> of the Dutch people. Andrew James Wray Geddes was born in Belgaum, Bombay Presidency, India. After attending Wellington College, he went to the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, in 1926.

of that country. Geddes re-

He was commissioned into the Royal Artillery but posted

At the outbreak of the Second World War, he took No 11 (AC) Squadron from Hawkinge to Abbeville in France. When the Germans

rank of Commander of the Legion of Merit

His wife, Anstice, died last

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PERSONAL

rejoiced greatly, when the brethren came and testified of the truth that is in thee, even as thou walkest in the BIRTHS

BLAND On December 15th at St.
Thomas' Hospital to Mary (nee Burt)
and Gerald, a daughter, Imogen
Clare, a sister for Kate and Alice. SOMWITT - See Pyvie. CLARDIE - On December 14th at the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital, to Carcy (née Lyu) and Nicholas, a son. Oliver Thomas Royston,

ONIOGHUR - On December 17th, 1968 at Southmead Hospital, to Sarah (née Hanks) and Keith, a son Jack Marsden. DUNCOMBE - On December 16th 1988, to Sarah (Née Battrum) and David, a son, Harry. Diffield - On December 5th 1988, to Sarah (née Boreham) and Alistair, a Son. John Lawrence (Jack).

Finamore - On December 4th, at St. George's Hospital London to Rebecca (née Daniel) and Stephen, a daughter. Deborah Nicola. FYVE - On December 14th, to Caro-line (née Bonwitt) and Alastair, a daughter, Alexandra Sarah Ellen. CARLEY - On December 9th, 1988, to Shauna (née McFarland) and Andrew, a daughter, Emily Mary

GENNARO - On December 18th to Mandy and Victor of Philadelphia, a son, Victor John. imbell - On December 15th, at St Georges Hospital, Tooting, to Vic-toria (Née Johy) and Charles, a son, Marcus.

Limberiable - On December 18th 1988 in Barbera (née Ross) and Robert, a son. William, a brother for Henry. AC LELLAN - On December 16th , 1988 in Monte-Carlo, to Purite and Richard, a son. Henry, a brother for Alexandra.

MAN - On Sunday December 18th, in St Leonard's on-Sea, to Jan (née Harprave-Wright) and Dick, a doughter, Miriam Ruth Garnet, a lovely sister for Joseph and Rebecca. MRLER - On December 15th to Mary take Cliffard) and James. a son Edmund Samuel Florey, a brother for Thomas. O'NALLORAN - On December 16th, to Jacquetine and Jack, a daughter.

PARKIN - On December 13th 1988, to Diane (nie Head) and Michael, a daughter, Zulelin Octavia Rose. MICHARDSON - On December 17th , 1988 to Sophie (née Cripps) and Hugo, a son Harry John Paber. RUST - On December 17th, to Clare (née Wookcott) and Martin, a daugh-ter Jessica Ann. sister to Tristan

SHEPHERD - On June 29th 1988. at The Lister Hospital, in Calberine (née Bladen) and Brian. a daughter Anne. SOLNECK - On December 18th at Queen Charlottes', to Sara (née Golden) and Jeremy, a son, Joshus

TAYLOR - On December 13th of Salisbury to Elizabeth (née Tyler) and Christopher, a daughter, Stephanie Catherine Dodsworth. Thanks to Bentrice word staff, Oddtock hospital. Williams - On December 9th 1988 to Kim (née Anthony) and Tegwyn, a daughter, Charlotte Alice.

MARRIAGES

Mary Mary

ALSTERDAL JONSON - On December 17th 1988, at The Swedish Church, London, Mr Alvar Alsterdal, Swed-ish Embassy, to Ms Khas Jonson.

DEATHS ANDERSON - On December 17th at South Kirchyston, Thirsk, North Yorkshire, William Richard Fries denry betoved husband of Jennifer, loving father of Richard and 'Old Bill' to Lotte. Mess to be beld on Wednesday 21st December at 12.30 pm at All Saint's RC Church, Thirsk.

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tients to the ravaging disease. But recent experiments on a

rare form of eye cancer have

brought this wish a bit closer

· Wen Hwa Lee and his

colleagues at the University of California at San Diego have

been able to insert an anti-

cancer gene into human cancer

cells grown in culture, chang-ing them back into normal cells. Their results are

described in last week's issue

of the American journal,

Lee and his colleagues study retinoblastoma, a cancer of cells of the retina, the thin

layer of cells at the back of the

eye that provide vision. The

disease strikes one in 20,000

children younger than eight

years, causing their retinas to become mottled with white

tumours, Left untreated, the

cancer can cause the eyes to

bulge and the face to become

horribly disfigured before the

patient dies. The only available treatment for the disease

is removal of the affected eye

Early on in the study of the

disease, researchers noted that

people who developed

recinoblastoms and were cared

sometimes went on to have

children and grandchildren

with the disease, suggesting the cancer might be inherited.

But they found that in

retinoblastoma, cancer re-

and radiation therapy.

to reality.

ABBATT - On December 19th 1988, at his home, John Cary, husband of Elieen, father of Jane and Susan and father-in-law of Jennes, and grandfather of Joanna, Benjamin, Thomes and Gideon, Fineral service at St. Julian's Church, Wellow, near Bath on Friday, December 23rd at 2pm, followed by crenation, Floral tributes or donations to the Imperial Cancer Research Fund may be sent to E. Hooper & Son. 13 St. James Parada, Bath.

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BANGUETER - On December 18th at home in Old Portsmouth. Margery aged 87, dearly loved wife of Dr L.G. Bannister and mother of Barbara and Christopher. Cremation Thursday December 22nd at 2pm. Portchester Crematorium, Hants. No flowers by request but if desired donations to the R.N.I. Deaf, 105 Gower Street, London WC1E 6AH

BULLIMOSE On December 18th peacefully in Hospital, Harold George Heaton aged 80 years of Tibbury, With Donations if desired to British Heart Foundation c/o D K Shernoid, 189-161 Fisherica St. Salisbury, With. BUSS - On December 17th pencefully in hospital. Margaret Joan Bannett most tearly loved wife of Vivian and mother of David. Mary and Stephen and adored and delightful grand-

and adored and delighted grand-tmother to her nine grandchildren. Funeral to take place of Breatopear Crematorium. Ruising on Thursday. 29th December at 11.30 am. Family flowers only pieces. CARRICTION SMITH - On December 19th 1988, peacefully after a brief fitness, Colonel George Noel - Royal Artiflery (Retired), beloved husband of Mary and dearly loved father and grundfather. Funeral service on Thursday December 22nd at Madderty Church at 2.Obpm. Family flowers only please.

lowers only please. COLE-NAMELTON - On December 14th at home suddenly. Belty. Beloved mother of Wendy and Mark. Sue, Dal, Issy and Armie. She will live to our hearts always. Funeral Service at St. Mary's Church, Hertingfordbury on Thurshy 22nd at 2.30pm. No mourning. Family flowers only but donations to Crisis At Christwas. c/o St. Mary's Church Hertingfordbury.

COTRAN - On December 18th, pencerulty after a short filmens, Hansiba. wife of the late Michel Cotran, mother of Ola, Omeir and Eugene, Much loved mother and grandmother. Funeral service at St Josephs Catholic Church. Cookham Road, Maidenhead at 12 soon on Thursday December 22nd 1968, followed by burial at Braywick Cemetery Maidenhead. Flowers to W.S. Bond Lid. Funeral Directors, 19 Bond Street, Enling, London W6 5AT.

COVELL - On December 16th 1988 in Kent and Sousex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells, after a short filness. Raiph George Covell M.B.E., F.R.I.B.A. Hon R.C.O. Much loved husband of Lurinse and father of Paul and Jerenty. Private tuneral, Memorial service to be announced. No flowers. Donations to Horder Centre for Arthrifics, and enquiries please to Paul Bysquith Funeral Services, Crowborough. Tel (0892) 655000

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The ability to fix the defect suited not from the presence of bone and breast cancers, and that makes tumour cells certain genes, but from their rare cancer of the lung.

The identity of the missing

gene was discovered by Lee

and by another group working independently at the White-head Institute for Biomedical

Research in Cambridge,

Massachusetts, two years ago. But to prove that this gene was

the one that was somehow suppressing the formation of retinoblastoma, Lee's group decided to try to insert it into

cancerous cells to see if it could convert them back to

To accomplish this, Lee and

his co-workers used a sophis-

ticated technique in genetic engineering. They created a hybrid virus containing a copy of the gene and used it to infect

the cancer cells. Lee's group crippled the virus, so that it

would serve as a means to get the anti-cancer gene into the cancer cells without killing

Once the gene was inside the cells, it had the desired

effect the cancer cells no

longer looked or acted like

cancer cells, and they stopped

dividing as rapidly. And when

the cells were injected into

laboratory mice, they no

The role of the so-called

cancer suppression genes in the development of cancer is

just being worked out. Besides

retinoblastoma, the absence of

longer cansed tumours.

CLADSTONE: On December 19th.
1988, peacefully at home, Court
House, Padstow, Cornwall, Michael
Natra Gladstone C.B.E. aged 77.
Much loved, Funeral 10.00 am en
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announced later.

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Flowers to be sent to W. S. Bond, 7
Sheshards Buth Road, W6. Shepher's Bush Road, We.

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New York. Nicholas E. Kulukumdis.
aged 92. He is survived by his brother Michael, and by his four children.
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daughters-in-law Suvrouis and
Joan. sons-in-law Rupert and
Mangucher, and fifteen grandchildren. The funeral will mike place at
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22nd December at 11 a.m.

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Westenbirt Church appreciated. Westenburg Crusters appreciated.

LUPF - On December 16th as the result of a road accident, Edith, J.P., Litton House, Litton, Near Bath, Wife of John Luff, Mother of David, Jame and Susan, and Grandmother, Requient Mass at Downside Abbey, Strainon on the Fosse at 11.30sm. on Friday December 25ml 1988 followed by private internanent at Wells, Family flowers only.

Studies of retinoblastoms

and other cancer suppression genes are beloing scientists to understand how the normal

growth processes of cells go

awry in cancer. Researchers

believe that normal cell growth

is achieved by a balance of

growth promoting genes and growth suppressing genes. Cancer results either when the

promoting genes are over-active, or when the sup-

pression genes are defective or

Lee and his group hope their

finding will have clinical

applications, and that one day

patients with cancers resulting

from genetic defects will be able to have their defective

genes repaired or restored. They have kept cells which

have been converted to normal

by the artificially introduced

cancer suppression genes alive in their laboratory for four

months now with no adverse

But tampering with the genes of a living human being is controversial, and whether

or not such gene therapy

schemes will work is not yet

known. Perhaps as a preinde

to such experiments, the US

National Institutes of Health

is considering approving a proposal for the first experi-

ment to inject cells with al-

tered genes into human cancer

effects.

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Sussex.

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PiGOT - On December 15th 1988, Brigadier Geoffrey Pigot GEE, MC, in his 93rd year, formerly of the 1st Bettation/14 Pumjab Regiment (Sherdik-t-peltan). Private creation at Satisbury on December 20th Memorial Service and Service of Committed on Thursday December 22nd at 2pm at St John's Church, Burley, New Forest, Hampahire, Family Bowers only).

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PRICE - On December 19th, peacefully to hospital. Bridget Anne (née Henderson) Widow of Idit and mother of Caroline, Annahel and Victoria. All friends welcome to funeral service at 12 noon, Friday December 23rd, St. Edward's Church. Stow-on-the-Wold. Family cut flowers only. Donations to Haise House, Oxford or Amnesty International. Amnesty International.

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SAIMER - On December 18th 1988. suddenly at home. Henry, Charlered Accountant. aged 77. Beloved bushand and father, friend and adviser to many. Puneral on December 20th 1988 at 1 pm at Bushey Centelery, Little Bushey. Lane. Bushey. Herts. SEMPLE - On December 18th 1968, peacefully at the B.S. Leon Horse. Harrar. Zimbelvee, Anne Cladys. aged 92, widow of the late John Mervyn Semple of Ireland and Kenya, and mother of Susan

STIVIN On December 15th, Nellie M., (née Nimr), Mother of Jacqueline Spressi and the lale June Vivian.
Grandmother and great

grandmorrer:

SWAINSTON - On December 13th,
pascefully to ber sleep at home, after
a long inness, accepted with grace
and borne with courage, Amabel
Yvonne MacLesty of Lineag, beloved,
wife of Harry for 52 years and dear
dear mother of Duyd and John, Private family funeral service his
already taken place.

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SWET On December 18th,
peacefully in hospital to Winchester,
Dr. George Switt GHE, TD, FRCUP,
speil 72 years, Moch loved husband
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Program - On December 19th 1988, peacefully at boose to Edinburgh. Charles Turcan speci 85, formerly of Murray/leid House. Funeral at Golster Chapet. Warriston Crematorium. Edinburgh on Thursday December 22nd at 11.15am.

WATKING - On December 16th 1988 in her 97th year at Cantestury, Violet Sylvia Kate. Funeral at St Dungtans Church. Cantestury on Friday, December 23rd at 1.30pm. No flowers, donations if desired to the Church Missionary Society. c/o the Reverend L Hubbard, 473 Tun-bridge Rd, Maldatonae, MEG 9LH. WATTS - On December 16th, quietly at home. Joan Parkita, former teacher of Walford Granman School for girls and Triffn Girls School. She brought happiness into many lives and it especially loved. Fineral on Thursday 22nd, at 4,00pm at kingston Crenklorium, Bonner Hill Read.

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THE ARTS

Looking for children's outings which will include something for the adults to enjoy? John Russell Taylor has some suggestions

TELEVISION

Title deeds

Anyone who respects a title is a fool; anyone who actively seeks one deserves what he or she gets. To complain that honours are unfairly distributed is to ignore the great British tradition of profane

The baronetage, that comforter of the obscure gentry, was created by James I as a commercial proposition to raise revenue for his Irish adventures. Precisely how honourable do modern baronets of ancient creation feel?

World In Action (Granada) had a fair bash at the question of alleged chuse under the present dispensation. Mrs Thatcher dishes out a disproportionate num-ber of gongs to "leading industrialists" whose firms have in may cases contributed manificently to Tory party coffers; she also has a

habit of spraying knighthoods around the back benches.

The suggestion, M'lud, is that it too often looks as if honours can be bought on the one hand, and on the other that they might be used as a parliamentary carrot to keep potential rebels in line.

Pace Lloyd George and his entirely proper relationship with my father, there does not seem to he anything in the rule book to prevent Prime Ministers doing either of these things, should they so wish; one only notices their absence, as when Edward Heath's stinginess in this field prompted mutterings of "knight starvation".

Macmillan's liberality was a standing joke, while Wilson's innocence in this field nevertheless makes interesting reading: Lord Kagan and Sir Eric Miller. Lady Falkender made 2 special

gnest appearance from her hospital bed, descanting on the fact that her influence on the infamous Resignation List was merely advisory. So be it. Labour's worthies have been more than matched by the Conservative government's bestowal of favour on the likes of Sir Larry Lamb and Sir Gordon

Meanwhile, if it is not already too late for the New Year deadline, this column would like to submit to Prime Ministerial consideration the name of lan Holm, for keeping a straight face throughout 13 episodes of Game, Set and Match (also Granada), which came to a close last night.

Martin Cropper | ings are the oddest: notably the

GALLERIES

Fiat 1899-1989 Science Museum

hows which are palpahly about art and something

balancing act which may be particularly useful at this time of year, when adults are frantically

woodcring what to do with the kids over the holidays. The art can

be the sweetener for the something else as far as the grown-ups are

concerned, or the something else may be just what is oeeded to lure the kids into a show which

otherwise would put them off

Art, indeed, if you are really

looking for it, can lurk in the

oddest places. Take the new show

at the Science Museum (until March 31), Fiat: An Italian Indus-

trial Revolution. True, the second sub-title does characterize it as

"Ninety Years of Automobile Art

and Design". You probably read

that as oo more than a bit of

You would certainly not expect

to get an exceptional collection of de Chiricos and Sironis and Casoratis and Annigonis thrown

in for good measure. And you

would be amazingly sanguine if you hoped for a spectacle of such

stunning elegance as greets you on

the third floor, a succession of

spare and immaculate white boxes

in which each car, each model,

each mock-up is presented as a

Which, in a sense, it is. While

anyone who is interested in cars

just as cars will have his fill of

documents and desirables, the accept is on design and the sculptural qualities of the product.

Most strikingly, there is a full-

scale wooden model of the Nuova

500 (1957) which is everything a

sculpture-fancier could wisb. But

even the cars themselves, which

range in date from the Fiat F2

racing car of 1907 to the Ferrari

F40 of 1987, are displayed in such

a way as to enliven our sense of

them as objects which are de-

signed, as works of art in more

Accompanying them there is

ample documentation on the ex-

traordinary architecture of the

classic Fiat factory in Turin, and

the diverse and unexpected react-

ions Fiat has produced in artists

both specifically commissioned

No doubt the de Chirico paint-

and independently interested.

than a merely figurative sense.

major sculpture of our time.

manufacturer's over-enthusiasm.

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else frequeotly perform a

nice balancing act. But a

T.E. Lawrence **National Portrait** Gallery

Rory McEwen Serpentine Gallery

Turner at Farnley Tate Gallery

Henry Moore: The **Shelter Drawings** British Museum

Wake Up and Dream! Theatre Museum

hizarre canvas which sandwiches a typical Neo-Classical horse and rider between the first Fiat and the 50th anniversary car, the 1400. But it is even more surprising to find out how involved Sironi was with Fiat for two decades, especially as an advertising designer. The combination is guaranteed to keep arties, smarties and hearties all hlissfully happy.

Another show which should similarly sweep the board is that which the National Portrait Gallery is currently (until March 12) devoting to T.E. Lawrence: writer, man of action and human enigma. The Boys' Own Paper aspects of Lawrence's career can hardly be ignored, and are there in full measure. But the show also reminds us that Lawrence was an archaeologist and man of letters, a translator of Homer and friend to many of the loftiest literary and artistic figures of his day.

In a couple of these latter roles he was responsible for commissioning (with the counsel of Eric Kennington) a series of amazingly distinguished illustrations or decorations for the earliest editions of The Seven Pillars of



Wisdom. Most of the originals are here, comprising some of the finest work of William Roberts, a natoriously patchy artist Lawrence happened to catch at his peak, Paul Nash, Blair Hughes-Stanton and Kennington himself, still grossly underestimated.

Lawrence the man of action was also provocative of much art, directly in numerous portraits (the best probably by Augustus John) and indirectly in War Artists' records of the war in the desert, which include Sydney Carline's brilliant aerial "Destruction of the Turkish Transport" and Henry Lamb's dynamic, dreamlike "Irish Troops in the Judean Hills surprised by a

Turkish Bombardment". And if art does little for you,

there are weapons and uniforms, photographs of the scenes of action, and a collection of film snippets which show us the man as he lived. Arguably, even the closest perusal of the evidence does not get us much closer to solving the riddle of Lawrence the man. Politician or poseur, fanta-sist or documentarist, model schoolboy hero or neurotic and

pervert? Art which serves something else not confined to these overtly historical shows. Rory McEwen's botanical paintings at the Serpentine until January 8 exquisitely combine exact science with a strong artistic impulse.

One can think of many other botanical illustrators whose work

is attractive and satisfying as pictures, quite apart from its value as record. But McEwen clearly functioned on a different level. The oriental spareness and bold asymmetry of his compositions distinguish him unmistakably from the great majority of botanical artists, and one is sometimes impressed by his sheer prodigality with rare materials.

Though we all know that Turner was one of the greatest artists, one would get much less sense of artistic distinction from the hirddrawings in the Tate's show Turner at Farnley (until January 2). If the records of birds and their plumage at the centre of the sbow were not labelled Turner we would pay them scant attention, and

Artful dodges for parents indeed they could easily be by any of a hundred competent 19thcentury amateurs.

The point of the display must be to document the ways of early 19th-century patronage, and to indicate that even the greatest of painters took on quite medial jobs for friends or patrons. These watercolour sketches of hirds belonging to (or killed by) the Fawkes family of Wharfdale make an agreeable, very minor, show. near perfect example of

records which become willy-nilly art, Henry Moore's Shelter Drawings, though imposed in a general sort of way by Moore's position as an Official War Artist, prove to take up and develop a theme already central to his work - the recumbent figure - and develop it in a way which was richly fertilizing for his subsequeot art.

The British Museum has on until February 12 a virtually complete display of these works: the two surviving sketchbooks are shown complete and together for the first time, and there is a. sizeable collection of the images, Moore later developed from them, not to mention a fascinating room; of parallels in the work of other; artists who worked in the Uoderground at the same time.

Once one has beard the comment attributed to Francis Bacon, . that they look like a lot of old knitting, it is difficult to put it from one's mind. But these intense and plangent images surviveeven a whiff of ridicule.

The pictures in the Theatre Museum's show Wake Up and -Dream! (until January 15) have the element of ridicule huilt in: there would be little point in anyone without a sense of humour going solemnly to look at these. designs (mostly hack designs, one must not unkindly say) for Broadway musicals from 1900 to 1925 any more than there would be for . such a person to go to the shows

they memorialize.

And yet, wonder at the sheer invention of these often nameless. designers, called upon to fulfil the wildest fantasies of lunatic and desperate concocters of popular entertainment, Creatures celestial, denizens of the deep, saints and sinners? No problem. Leave it to the likes of Madame Haverstick or Charles Lemaire, to Hugh Willoughby or Yetta S. Kiviette.

coloured board. Likewise the audi-

ence is doomed to watch the

hungry, resentful but obedient?

Cocky fail to get anywhere because

Sir cheats and keeps changing the

rules. Urchins, cloth caps worn

picturesquely back to front, add to Cocky's discomfort, and ours, by

taunting him from the sidelines.

"Red is the colour of a pretty letterbox," is the first song's opening line, after which the gradient of excitement can only

elimh. "From now on there's

going to be some changes," Cocky

sings, and "Now at last I see a chance of winning!" Win he does,

when his refusal to play the Game -

Flawed but forceful

CONCERTS

ECO/Cleobury Barbican Hall

Suddenly it seems to be the year of L'Enfance du Christ. Berlioz's "trilogie sacrée", a welcome seasonal supplement to Messioh and Tue Christmas Oratorio is once more in favour: I have already come across a valiant school performance in Amersham; Westminster Cathedral plans one for Thursday; and on Saturday Stephen Cleobury brought it to the Barbican.

The stumbling block has always been its rambling form, its idio-syneratically Gallie style. For too many ears schooled in the Ger-

Philharmonia/ Sinopoli Festival Hall

Inevitably the Schoenberg season on the South Bank has included a fair number of rarities, unknown even to those who consider themselves to be reasonably au fait with his work. This concert begao with one such piece, the Pretude to the Genesis Suite, Op 44, which was written in Hollywood late in 1945.

Why only the Prelude? The answer is that the whole soite was commissioned from a number of composers, Straviusky and Miihaud amongst them, hy the film composer Nat Sbilkret, whose ambition was to put "the Bible on

manic Christmas order, its loose and leisurely storytelling, its fanciful, almost Poussin-esque scene setting, can be somewhat intractable. But Brahms himself knew the work's worth and Cleobury's performance, for all its shortcomings, persuaded us of it

Berlioz had started the piece by scribbling down the idea for the 'Shepherds' Farewell" at a party. He framed it with a puogently archaic little orchestral fugue and a leoor solo about the Holy Family at an oasis; and this central section remains the work's core. It was a pity, then, that it was the most weakly performed part of the evening. Cleohury had brought with him the King's College Choir and a handful of women from the Cambridge University Musical Society for the offstage Alleluias:

record." Unsurprisingly, only seems to have been

tackled. This Prelude is actually

modestly proportioned, carefully composed piece, a mile too regularly metrical, perhaps, but contrapuntally inventive and sensitively orchestrated. It calls for lavish forces, incloding a wordless choir (the sure-pitched Philharmouia Chorus), and its vocabulary, though thuroughly Schoenbergian, incorporates chains of softening parallel thirds and pitches that serve as points of orientation.

I am not sure that the work really ends in C major, as the programme note would have us believe, but oeither is it the representation of chaos its early critics mischievously alleged it to be. Giuseppe Sinopoli conducted

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It was the more credit to the English Chamber Orchestra (who, with Musicians for Armenia ahead of them, had a long evening of it) that they pointed so much of interest in the much maligned Parts I and III. With William Keodall a ringing, nicely idiomatic tenor reciter, and with Ann Murray and Thomas Allen as an incomparable Mary and Joseph, they accompanied the collage of recitative, solo and duet with minute attention to Berlioz's spare and piquant scoring. Their in-strumental interludes, from the Soothsayers' weird cahalistic dance to the bare, poised string chords which freeze its moments of meditation in a single frame, were the greatest delight of the

eveoing.

Hilary Finch

what seemed a tidy performance. The meat of the programme though, was n fine performance of Schoenberg's Erwartung, Op 17, his pre-12-note expressionistic nightmare of 1909. Here the soprano Karan Armstrong, though pitted against the large orchestral forces that Schoenberg marshals with such vividly dramatic power, was more than equal to the flux of emotions the piece demands.

Ardour and horror were mixed in a combination of such potency that the more idealized romantic storm and stress of Brahms's Violin Coacerto seemed like a mere charade, despite the fact that the soloist, Shlomo Mintz, played this undeniably great work with ample warmth and majesty.

DANCE

Lea Anderson seems to be an

equal opportunities choreo-

grapher. She apparently does not

believe in asking her casts to do anything that demands special

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when to lift up ooe hand with a

little red book in it, or to turn

round or fall down, but there is a comforting feeling that you or 1,

decrepit as we might be, could get

She also scrupulously avoids

giving audiences anything that

might tax the intellects or

imagination. A new show, Flag is

Once or twice among the 12

short items that make up the

performance she hits on an idea

that might actually make an

unusual and fascinating dance.

The prime example is a number

full of nice old fashioned japes.

up there and do it with them.

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ROCK

Chris Rea Wembley Arena

Since the release of last year's Dancing With Strangers, Chris Rea has graduated from touring the Odeons and Apollos to a fouroight residency at Wemhley Arena. The trappings of a bigger show were evident to the sophisticated lighting and quadrophonic sound system which bounced the eerie audio effects of seagulls on a seashore or a circling helicopter around the four corners of the huge room, à la Pink Floyd. For the finale of "Driving Home For Christmas", giant inflatable Santas were seot bobbing across the heads of the crowd, while "snow" drifted gently under the spotlights

for two women based on the

similarities of some steps in

So they wear tartan dresses with

long frilled skirts, and switch arms

from one genre to the other. The

effect is undermined by a discreet

vagueness in the footwark, and

movement never far from Ander-

son's usual jerky style, which makes the dancers resemble mal-

sicians to support her minimalist

choreography. Composers

Drostan Madden and Steve Blake,

the latter one of the three perform-

ers the Pointy Birds. Their vaguely

jazzy bumblings make Philip Glass sound opulent. Two of them

oftee chant, too, ie what I think

Where most choreographers are

happy if able to support one

group, Andersoo has two, and has

found jokey names for both: the

Cholmoodcleys and the Feather-

stonehaughs. Both perform Flag

for the chums and the fans, Gosh

John Percival

might be Serbo-Croat.

functioning clockwork dolls. Anderson has the ideal mn-

Scottish and Spanish daucing.

and balloons were released from the ceiling. But the essence of Rea's anti-

performing style had not changed one jot. Dressed in a sensible

check shirt, red braces and baggy trousers, with a waistline to match that of the chubblest Santa, he stood impassively, wearing the furrowed expression of a man engaged in work of an absorbing and highly skilled nature. Around him, mostly seated, was a static collection of the most assiduously uninteresting session musicians one could hope to imagine. During "On The Beach", Max Middleton's twinkling piano forays coloured the mood like fleeks of foam on the waves, but for the most part they all seemed to be underplaying as if their lives

depended on it. The 37-year-old Rea is a composer who writes from the heart, and the fact of his quiet-natured, prosaic personality is reflected in his songs. For me, as his nicotinestained baritone traced the delicare moods and wispy melodies of "Nothing's Happening By The Sea", "Ace Of Hearts", "Josephioe" and "Loving You Again", it became an effort of will to stay awake, but this huge audience of presumably recent cooverts greeted the introduction of each

new oumber with evident delight. Where Rea's maturity gave him the edge was on a number like "Joys Of Christmas" in which he reeled off a catalogue of social ills observed in the depressed towns of his northern England bomeland. One felt that he had been around Inng enough to give the song the gravitas it required and to make the message stick.

His guitar playing was tonched throughout by a languid, genteel inspiration and passages which ranged from the coarse, thick riff of "Let's Dance" to the stinging B.B. King-style blues phrases of "Just Passing Through" and the majestic slide solo at the end of "Oue Sera" all boasted an undeniably magic ring.

David Sinclair

Squashed flat

THEATRE

The Roar of the Greasepaint, the Smell of the Crowd Orange Tree Theatre

This quaint Anthony Newley/ Leslie Bricusse musical toured the country back in the Sixties but failed to find a London theatre keen to put it on. Later it did well on Broadway and some of its' songs reached an even wider audience in versions by the likes of Sinatra and Sammy Davis Jr.
They tend to express simple showbiz optimism of a kind some singers find it necessary to sing again and again: the theme of "Look at me, I've pulled through, I'm a success" climbing up the scale to a loud high note long sustained. Some of the tunes, I am

ready to admit, stay in the head. cal no-man's land where Sir, the uoderdog, are doomed to play out some mysterious Game on a large

The story is set in a metaphysihurly bossman in a battered brown topper, and Cocky, a ragged

makes Sir realize they need one another. Aah. The simple-minded symbolism of the conflict, characters and game eviscerates the story. But

even if Kim Grant's production were better sung - and one can never be confident that the right notes are being struck - this small auditorium is a quite unsuitable place for songs which, if they have to be sung at all, need the full stretch of the lungs. Howard Samuels's Cocky looks good, sings indifferently; Edward Brayshaw avoids danger by speaking in tune.

Jeremy Kingston

Not quite full-scale

Figgy Pudding Lyric, Hammersmith

It is a sign of the tough times when a local theatre that used to mount its own stylish panto turns instead to a cabaret duo, Kit and the Widow, to fill the house and steady the budget. Last year the pair played the Studio, while a musical about a crocodile occupied the main house; this Christmas by themselves they take on the bigger space, where the charm of their show, and the dangerous shading that lurks at the edges of it, are seriously diluted.

Rit is Kit Hesketh-Harvey, smiling, courtly and devilish clever with his tougue. The songs of Stephen Soudheim are the victims of a sharp new number, in which he mocks their hizarre bops of pitch and rhythm and their infernal internal rhymes.

One does not like to ask why his young partner, Richard Sisson, is nicknamed Widow. He sits at his white piano, tinkling away at Bach, Mendelssohn and Ravel, turning them with the minimum of effort into Lloyd Webber.

They are a very clever pair, their lyrics bracingly adroit, and they do not shrink from rhyming Piat d'Or with matador. Of their two serious songs, the one on pollution is sung quietly, as though it were a tender hymn to the landscape, only gradually revealing its theme:

"Washed down from Derwentwater, A radio active sheep marked 'Do not slaughter'

What I do not like at all is their idea of bringing down a preppy girl from Edinburgh to stalk the stalls offering programmes in a voice that would curdle cream. Their second guest, the mimic Steve Coogan, is not bad, but not so good that he deserves 15 minutes in the second balf.

The witty comments on Glyndebourne fans and Tory support for Clause 28 are spot on, hat their act now wants tightening and pruning; and, if guests are really necessary, choose some who look at home on



FORTUNE THEATRE

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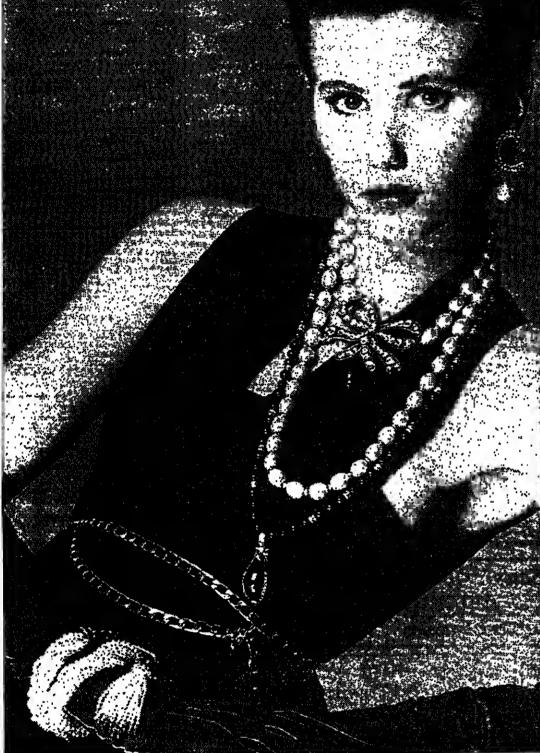
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FASHION by Liz Smith

Break out the rocks

Pile on the glamour this Christmas with gems, fake and real, from ewel-encrusted elephants and bugs to sparkling acrobats and clowns





Top: Freshwater pearls, leopard pin clasp, £195; stone-studded gilt bangle, £225; Ken Lane. Pearls with animal head clasp (twisted in fingers), £90, Ciro. Dragonfly pin, £58; slim jewelled bracelets (left), £128 each; pearl/gilt charm bracelets, £68 and £88; Butler & Wilson. Jewelled

Valerie Louthan, Lord's
Above: Tourmaline, amethyst and gold carré earclips, £3,700; boules Above: Tourmaline, amethyst and gold carré earclips, £3,700; boules necklets, gold/pearl £6,800; gold, steel/haematite, £4,000; gold/steel/topaz/citrlne/tourmaline, £6,200; all Bulgari.

Amethyst/citrine/gold ring, £3,240, Paloma Picasso, Tiffany. Gold zodiac ring, Elizabeth Gage, Tropical bugs, £28 each, Monty Don. Dragon pin, £90; fly pin, £30; enamel/rhinestone/gem bracelets, £165; gilt/gem bangles, £75-£165; all Ciro. Levi jacket, £40, Harrods

Left: Earrings, £120; pearl rope, rhinestone bow, £560; "ruby" drop necklace, £340; pearl tassle necklace (twisted on wrist), £820; pleated silk dress, £2,685; suede gloves, £140; all Chanel Photographs by JOHN SWANNELL

Halr: Joel O'Sullivan for Brinks & Huck. Make-up: Arlane Stocklass: listed below

Stockists: listed below

Dress earn its reput-ation for chic? What from something snug into a glamorous number? What was added to a miner's shirt to turn it into a desirable jacket for elegant women? Nn jewel-box prize for knowing the answers — jewels, rocks, gems and more of the same,

Even Levi Strauss, in the absence of supplies of jewelled bugs out West, had the good taste to smother his denim overalls with decorative studs. And even the most jaded heart skips a beat at Christmas when presented with a squat, little package that promises to enclose the most fashionable

gift of all, a piece of jewellery.

Few expect the gems to be the real thing. Today, who cares? In a season when baroque is in vogue, when medieval tapestry rubs shoulders with gold brocade and ruby velvet is puckered op with ruffles of pleated paper silk, the sumptuous special effects required to take part in this feast of ornamentation might just as well

Romantics still hunting for the perfect present cannot go wrong with another charm to hang oo a heavy chain, a knuckle-duster sized ring or, even better, a stender eternity band that might become the first of a collection. Look no further than the basic knockaround clothes most women wear today to know that a pin would make a popular present.

If one alone has impact, imagine

effect of a drove of mah: rajah's jewelled elephants (you will find these at Mooty Don), or a slope of skiers (Butler & Wilsoo), or a circus of tumbling acrobats and clowns (another Mooty Don party act this season).

Even before Christmas turned us into shopping junkies, jewellers basked in a booming trade in pearl and diamond ear clips, real or fake, charm-laden chains and ropes of pearls. Serious jewellers who purvey the real thing and the creators of faux bijoux jostle for the same jewel-besotted customer. It is not just that they deal in similar styles, but they are positioned, literally, side by side in similar by the property of the same jewel-besotted customer. oeighbouring silk-lined boites.

Criss-crossing the few square yards at the Piccadilly end of Bond Street, for example, you find the you had just glimpsed in their rightful habitat at Cartier are oow stalking the other side of the street

Bulgari, the Roman jewellers, are now established in Bood Street, pioneering the more relaxed approach to serious gems, creating heavy gold necklets and bracelets sunk with emeralds and

Ropes of pearls, and pearl ear clips circled in gold, are basic to the ultra-chic signature style of fashioo's greatest legend Coco Chanel. But oot even her passioo for pearls matches that of a Mrs Morton Plant who, in 1917, traded with Cartier her Fifth Avenue mansioo (where the famous jewellers still reside) for a double strand of pearls with jewelled clasp worth \$1.2 millioo -

Golden seal of success

A passion for gems combined with a long-standing love of history inspires the remarkable work of Elizabeth Gage, one of Londoo's most successful jewellers.

Even before this season's renaissance of sumptuous style in jewelencrusted velvet and silk, her extravagantly emphatic gems have held in thrall a growing chientele

no both sides of the Atlantic.

The rose-pink, paisley-lined headquarters off Bond Street, where she moved four years ago, is still her only shop. But her annual exhibitions at the Carlyle Hotel in New York have won a devoted following for her intricately carved intaglios sunk in hammered gold which she lights with the lustre of her favourite grey baroque pearls and the Cretan seals or Roman coins worked with cabochon tour-

malines or amethysts.

Her strong, jewelled drum
"Templar" rings, a signature line,
are always a sell-out. Earlier this
month a medieval chain of Japanese Biwa pearls and diamonds, its centrepiece a deep red rubellite, was the star of her first Paris show, celebrated with a party at the British Embassy. Each step of her success, indeed each piece sold, is a personal wrench for a designer whose passion for her craft is expressed in each piece.

It is hardly surprising to find that a career spent creating such emotionally-charged jewels began with a simple token of love. In the 1960s, a friend had asked her to choose a beautiful and meaningful A simple token of

love sparked a

glittering career in jewellery for Elizabeth Gage

Gage: inspiration from history ring that she would wear all the time. "I found nothing to make my heart sing," she says, until working on historical research in the British Museum she discovered what she wanted in the

Viking room. "The gold was marvellously bold and rich," she remembers, "something that a modern woman would wear. The ideas started to

To acquire "her ring" she trained as a goldsmith at John Cass College, London, spent several summers working for a crafts-

man in Crete acquiring the techniques of hammering and texturing gold, before she began making jewellery for friends from a small studio in Knightsbridge. A commission for jewellery designs from Cartier in New York was the

first step to international success. In 1972, she won the De Beers Diamond International Award for one of her flexible "Agincourt"

rings.
"I would never let my Minoan seal go," she says of the one constant piece in her personal collection. A twisted dolphin ring, her "sun" diamond-set ring are among the significant pieces she wears all the time. There has been oo magic

wand, but a series of stepping stones. I consider myself lucky. I am doing what I have always wanted to do and have the means to use my imagination. Ideas come from working at the bench." Rare fossils, intaglios and coins ("I have a good source of Roman coins near my cottage in Gloucestershire"), with their in-nate aura of history, combined with ber assured way of scattering diamonds among a mix of the greens and various pinks of peridot, amethyst and tourmaines, all sharpened against a base of textured 18 carat gold and glossy enamel are the hallmark of her

Elizabeth Gage jewellery, prices from £1,000, is at 20 Albemarle Street, W1.

special style.



Cockatoo pin with silver coin; jadelte bead and gold necklace with coral pendant; green glass intaglio and gold earnings; (left hand), eternity rings; green glass intaglio ring; gold ring with pink tourmaline; Charlemagne ring; Templar ring with green tourmaline; Orlov ring with yellow sapphira; all Elizabeth Gage

New line for well-heeled charms

Thirties platform-soled sandals and sculpted wedged ankle-straps Thirties platform-soled sandals and sculpted wedged ankle-straps stepped in smartly as treasured museum pieces in a retrospective exhibition at the Victoria & Albert museum earlier this year. The work of Salvatore Ferragamo, founder of the Florentine shoe empire, they have now made a further leap in their evolution, as "charms". His daughter, Giovanna Gentile Ferragamo, designer of the Ferragamo ready-to-wear clothes, worked with her sister Falvia to create a line of jewellery that immortalizes in nine-carat gold plate miniatures several of their father's more dramatic shoes. A handsome chain bracelet shod with five shoe charms (illustrated on the right) costs £250.

Salvatore Ferragamo jewellery is available at Ferragamo, 24 Old Bond Street, W1; Harrods, Knightsbridge, SW1.



Precious proceeds

Nigel Milne, specialist in that graceful Edwardian style of jewellery, is donating proceeds from the sales of some of his more popular styles to Birthright. Anyone spending £625, say, on a pair of haematite and gold tricom earclips is also investing in the vital medical research by the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists. Nigel Milne is at 16c Grafton Street, W1.

JEWELLERY STOCKISTS: Butler & Wilson, 20 South Molton Street, WI Bulgari, 172 New Bond Street, WI Chanel, 25 Old Bond Street, WI; 31 Chanel, 25 Uig Borto Street, W1, 31 Sioane Street, SW1 -Ciro, 9 New Bond Street, W1; 178 Regent Street, W1; 23s East Street, Brighton; 95 Bucharinon Street, Glasgow David Fielden, 137 Kings Road, SW3 Etzabeth Gage, 20 Albermale Street, W1

WI Lord's, 66-70 Burlington Arcade, WI Monty Don, 58 Beauchamp Piece, SW3; 172 New Bond Street, WI Ken Lime, 30 Burlington Arcade, WI; 66 South Molton Street, WI; 50 Beauchamp Piece, SW3 Tillhams, 26 Old Bond Street, WI



INFORMATION SERVICE

BOOKING KEY

This selective guide to entertainment and events throughout Britain appears from Monday to Friday, followed in the Review section on Saturday by a preview of the week ahead. Items should be sent to The Times Information Service, PO Box 7, 1 Virginia Street, London E1 9XN

FILMS

AU REVOIR, LES ENFANTS (PG): Louis Malle's moving, semi-autobiographical drame, set in a provincial boarding school in the last months of the Second World War. Gaspard Manesse heads the young, non-professional cast (107

Also on national release

Curzon Mayfair (01-499 3797). Progs 1.30, 3.45, 6.20, 8.50.

BIRD (15): Clint Eastwood's

BRID (15): Cfirit Eastwood's impressively mounted blography of Charlie Parker with Forest Whitaker at the legendary jazz saxophonist (161 min).

25 Lumiere (01-836 0691).

Progs 1.25, 4.35, 7.55.

26 Cannon Fulham Rd (01-370 2636).

Progs 1.40, 5.15, 8.45.

Screen on the Hill (01-435 3366).

Progs 3.30, 7.45.

A FISH CALLED WANDA (15): The

adventures of two scheming Americans (Jamie Lee Curtis and Kevin Kline), an

(Jamie Lee Curtis and Kevin Kline), an uptight English barrister (John Cleese) and an animal rights fanatic (Michael Palin), who owns a fish called Wanda. Script by John Cleese. Directed by Ealing veteran Charles Crichton (109 min).
Canson Fulham Road (01-370 2636). Progs 2.10, 5.55, 9.05.
Canson Oxford St (01-636 0310). Progs 1.50, 4.55, 8.05.
Canson Shaftesbury Ave (01-838 8861/8806). Progs 1.00, 3.25, 5.55, 8.25. 38 Piaza (01-200 0200). Progs 1.30, 3.50, 6.15, 8.40.
Gate Notting Hill (01-727 4043). Progs 2.05, 4.10, 6.30, 9.00. Screen on Baker St (01-836 2772). Progs 4.05, 6.40, 8.40.

GOOD MORNING, VIETNAM (15): Robin Williams in a military comedy about a DJ sent to Vietnam to keep up the morale of the troops. Directed by Barry Levinson (12) milk.

supernatural comedy from director Neil Jordan, with Peter O'Toole as the owner of a decrapit Irish castle advertised as haunted (32 min). Odeon West End (01-930 5252). Proga 1.15, 3.35, 6.20, 8.55.

MIDNIGHT RUN (15): Engaging comedy-truiller, with Robert de Niro as a bounty hunter given the job of taking a sensitive

(121 min). 28 Warner West End (01-439 0791). Progs 12.45, 3.20, 5.55, 8.30.

HIGH SPIRITS (15): Spirited

★ Advance booking possible

☆ Seats available
★ Returns only (D) Access for disabled

THEATRE LONDON

☆ CANDIDE: Christmas treat: Leonard Bernstein's tune-packed musical, part opera, part Broadway; with Mark Beudert, Marilyn Hill Smith, Nickolas

Grace. Old Vic Theatre, Waterloo Rd, SE1 (01-928 7816). Tube: Waterloo. Mon-Frl 7.30-10pm, Sat 7.45-10.15pm; mats Wed 2.30-5pm. Sat 4-6.30pm, 26-219. * A CHRISTMAS CAROL: Jon

Strickland as Scrooge in David Holman's adaptation for children and for grown-ups. The Young Vic, 56 The Cut, SE1 (01-926 6363). Tube: Waterloo. 10.30sm, 2pm, 7pm. Adults £7.50; children and concs £3.75. (0)

★ ELECTRA: Fionz Shaw as the flerce daughter in Sophocles' sober drama of mother-killing.
The Pit, Barbican Centre, EC2 (01-638 8891). Tube:
Barbican/St Paul's/Moorgate. Press night tonight 7pm. Then in repertory, 28.50, mats 25.50.

voluntation of the Peter Hall Company: Vanessa Redgrave, Julie Covington, Jean Marc Barr in revival of Tennessee Williams' first play. Theatre Royal, Haymarket, SW1 (01-930 9832). Tube: Procadilly Circus. Mon-

Sat 7.30pm; mats on Thurs 2.30pm and Sat 2.30pm. £4-£15. * PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE: Theatre de Complicite in top form for their tribute to the horrors of a family Christmas. Almeida Theatre, Almeida St, N1 (01-359 4404). Tube: Angel/Highbury & Islington. Until Fri, 8-8.30pm, £3.50-25.50.

☆ ZOO OF TRANQUILITY: Return of Sylvester McCoy's children's adventure through a menagerie of Heath Robinson

Transport of Heath Robinson

**Transport of automations.
Lyric Studio, King St, W6 (01-741 2311).
Tube: Hammersmith, Preview tonight, 89.30pm. Opens tomorrow 7-8.30pm,
then Tues-Fri 8-9.30pm, Set mat 4.30-

6pm, £5. Two weeks only.

LONG RUNNERS: & Beyond Reasonable Goubt: Queen's Theatre (01-734 1166) ... \$\phi\$ Cates New London Theatre (01-405 0072) ... \$\phi\$ Foliaes: Shattasbury Theatre (01-379 5399) ... \$\pi\$ 42nd Street Drury Lane Theatre (01-836 8108) ... \$\phi\$ Les Leisons Dangereuses: Ambassador Theatre (01-836 8108) ... \$\phi\$ Les Cates Cat Theatre (01-836 8108) ... \ \Las Leisons Dangereuses: Ambassador Theatre (01-836 8111) ... \ \tau Me and My Girt: Adalphi Theatre (01-240 7913) ... \ \tau Les Miserables: Palace Theatre (01-434 0909) ... \ \tau The Mousetrap: St Martin's Theatre (01-836 1443) ... \ \tau The Phentom of the Opera: Her Majesty's Theatre (01-839 2244) ... \ \tau Run for your Write: Criterion Theatre (01-867 1117) ... \ \tau Stariight Express: Aoolo Victoria A Starlight Express: Apollo Victoria (01-828 8665)

OUT OF TOWN

Christopher Durang's sprightly comedy opens Bristol's first pub theatre.
The Showboat, 323 Gloucester Road (0272 669879), Mon-Sat 7.30pm, 23. Until Dec 31.

CROYDON: 'A Roister Doister: Vince Foxhall rejigs the old comedy for Christmas: braggarts and brawlers meet their just deserts. Warehouse Theatre, Dingwell Road (Ot-

MANCHESTER: A The Adventures of Huckleberry Firm: Musical version by Roger Hames with Paul Ryan as the first boy-hero to smoke a pipe. Library Theatre, St Peter's Square (081-236 7110), Mort-Set 2.30pm, also Fri and Sat 7pm, adults £5. children £2.

Back for the 'Big Thing'



Mature nucleus: (left to right) John Taylor, Simon Le Bon, Nick Rhodes on tour, promoting a new album

CONCERTS

EVENING

★ CLOGS, SUGAR-PLUMS, ETC: Jonathan Cohen conducts the LSO in

such bonbons as the Clog Dance from Herold's La Fille Mai Gardee, the Dance

of the Sugar-Pum Hall Carties, the Larce of the Sugar-Pum Pairy from Tchalkovsky's The Autoracker, the Mambo from Bernstein's West Side Story, the Great Gare at Kley from Mussorgsky's Pictures at an Exhibition.

Bartican Centre, SIk St. London EC2 (01-638 8891), 7.15-9.15pm, £4-£13.50.

Say what you will about Duran Duran's continuing say what you will about Duran Duran's commining attempt to acquire musical credibility and an adult andience, the group has matured, lung together (in part) and retained commercial clout long after "toothpaste" pop contemporaries such as Culture Club and the Thompson Twins have withered on the vine. The band was assembled in the summer of 1980 and became part of Birmingham's "new romantic" scene based around the Rum Runner club. After four years of success they split into two camps, and undertook projects such as the Power Station and

WHO FRAMED ROGER RABBIT (PG): Energetic mixture of cartoons and real life. Ace animation director Richard

Williams supplies a frantic array of "toon" characters, headed by Roger Rabbit. Bob Hosidns plays the dishevelled gumshoe, Eddle Vallant

Arcadia. Now, down to a uncleus of Simon Le Bon (vocals), Nick Rhodes (keyboard) and John Taylor (bass) plus a full supporting cast on stage, Duran Duran return to promote their Big Thing album and a new single, "All She Wants Is". They play tonight at Barrowlands, Glasgow (041 226 4679, returns only), 7 20pps. 25 St. Thomselve in Miled and Manageria and Miled and M 7.30pm, £5.50; Thursday (in a "secret" gig billed as the Krush Brothers), at Town & County Club, London NW5 (01-284 0303), Friday, at Wembley Arens, Middlesex (01-902 1234); and Saturday, at the NEC, Birmingham (021 780 4133). David Sinclair

A MORE ENESCU: Enescu's rarelyheard State No 3 features in this programme by the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra. Lawrence Foster

also conducts them in Verdi's Forze del Destino Overture. Ravel's Bolero, and Ruben Gonzalez solos in Ginastera's Violin Concerto. Town Half, Birmingham (021-236 3889), 23.30-211. ROCK

A THE FALL: The latest chapter in Mark E. Smith's perverse musical game plan is I Am Kurious Orani, the soundtrack of his recent presentation at Sadier's Wells. Town & Country, 8-17 Highgate Rd, London NW5 (01-284 0300), 7.30pm, £7,

Tomorrow in the Information Service:

GALLERIES

Support is from the house quintet. Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Frith St. London W1 (01-439 0747) 9.30pm, £12 (members £2).

* DISTRICT SDE Led by Jim Dvorak and Brian Abrahams, the group rekindles the spirit of South African

township music, Jazz Cafe, 56 Newington Green, London N16 (01-359 4936), 8.30pm, £3.

WALKS

HMS OF COURT — LONDONPS LEGAL HERITAGE: Meet Chancery Lane tube. 11mm. 23 (01-624 9981).

DANCE

** PETRUSHKA: Sadier's Wells Royal Ballet's lively production with a revised version of Bintley's *Choros* and Lynn Seymour's disappointing *Bastiet*. Sedier's Wells Thiestre, Rosebory Avenue, London EC1 (01-257 8916), 7.30pm, £3.50-£19.

OTHER EVENTS

The Commonwealth Institute, Kensington High St, London W8 (01-603 4536). 7pm onwards. Tickets £7.50 at door. A POETRY PAGEANT: See caption.

MYSTERY TOUR: Lively musical show for five to 10-year-olds with plenty of sudience participation. Olivier Theatre, National Theatre, South Bank, London SET (01-928 2252). Today, Thurs, Fri, 2.15pm and 4pm. Bookable, adult £2, child £1.

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ALTON TOWERS FESTIVE SEASON:
Park decorated for Christmas with
lights, trees, carols, a daily parade and
Father Christmas. Also an los show.
Alton Towers, Alton, North Staffs.
Today until Friday, 2-9pm. Admission
£1, child 50p. Box office for los show
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3538 702200). Tickets bookable, adult

★ CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SHOWS:

A: CHILDREM'S CHRISTIMAS SHOWS: The Oily Carte Theatre Company presents two shows. For the under-fives Playhouse — with live music, puppets and ectors. For seven to 11-year-olds The Bermuda Rectangle, a sailing tale with a moral.

Battersea Arts Centre, Lavender Hill, London SW11. (Box office 01-223 2223) Today until Friday, Playhouse 10.30am, Bermuda Rectangle 2.25pm. Adult £2, child £1.50. £1 membership.

McGongh, Fred D'Agniar and

Grace Nichols. The evening also

£4.50, child under 16 £3.50.

RODDY AND LUCIE'S MUSICAL

SOUTH BANK PICTURE SHOW: Works south BANK PICTURE SHOW: Works submitted in an open competition by professional and smatteur artists depicting aspects of London life. Royal Festival Hall, South Bank Centre, London SE1 (01-928 3641), daily 10am-10pm, free, until Feb 12. A CELEBRATION OF THE PRINT: An

★ HUMPHREY LYTTELTON: The trumpeter returns for his regular Thames-side session. But's Head, 373 Lonsdale Rd, London SW13 (01-876 5241), 8.30pm, £4. anthology of modern prints from Schnabel and Hodgkin to Arturo di Pomeroy Purdy Gathery, Jacob Street Studios, Mill St. London SE1 (01-237 6062), Tues-Fri 11am-6.30pm, Sat 11am-4pm, free, until Jan 21.

ART IN THE MAKING: Technical investigations of 20 Rembrandts revealing the Dutch master's working

methods. National Gallery, Trafalger Square. London WC2 (01-839 3321), Mon-Sat 10am-8pm, Sun 2-8pm, until Jan 17. RUBENS: Paintings, drawings and

prints. Courtrold institute Galleries, Woburn Square, London WC1 (01-580 1015), Mon-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 2-5pm, £1.50, until Feb 12.

OPERA

* RIGCLETTO: Meticulous staging by Nuria Expert and a thrilling Gilda from June Anderson are the strong points of the Royal Opera's new Verdi productions. Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London WC2 (01-240 1086), 7.30-10.30pm, £2.50-£75.

* CHRISTMAS EVE: David Poutney's enchanting production is the first British staging of Rimsky-Korsakov's Utrainlan fairy tale of an opera: Albert Rosen conducts a lively young cest. English National Opera, Collegum, St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (01-836 3161), 7.30-10.30pm, £2.50-£26.

** AIDA: Philip Provise designs and directs in Opera North's powerful production. Cast is led by Janke Cairne, Sally Burgess and John Trelewen. Grand Theatre, Leeds, (0532 459351), 7.15-10.45pm, £4.80-£22.50.

* IOLANTHE: Keith Warner's handsome and witty G & S production for Scottish Opera dominates the feative seeson in Glasgow. Thentre Hoyal, Glasgow (041 331 1294), 7.30pm, E3-E23.

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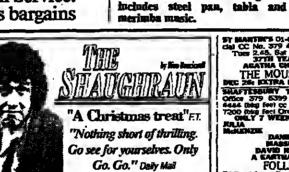
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competition.
3.50 Laurel and Hardy. Cartoon (r).
4.00 A Paddington Special (r).
4.20 Simon end the Witch. The final episode 4.35 What'e

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2.00 News and weather followed by See Heari (r). 2.50 Holiday

Outings. Bermuda (r).
3.00 News end weather followed by The World About Us. A

4.00 Favourite Things, Beryl Reid tells Roy Plomley about the things she enjoys most (r). 4.30 See Hear! Dickens's A Christmas

Carol adapted for the hearing impaired (r). 5.00 Advice Shop includes an item

on children separated from their family af Christmas 5.30

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5.35 Neighbours (r), 6.00 Six O'Clock News with Nicholas Witchell and Andrew 6.30 London Plus and weather

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on her own. When Martin wakes up the next morning he finds an unexpected bediellow and a house full of merry strangers 8.30 A Question of Sport presented by David Coleman. This week Bill Beaumont and Ian Botham are

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9.25 Lucky Ladders. Game show

hosted by Lennie Bennett 9.55 Thames news and weather 10.00 The Time. . . The Place. . . Mike Scott chairs a discussion on a topical subject 10.40 This Morning, Today's edition of the magazine show includes items on knitting and teaching young children to swim. Plus national news at 10.55 and regional news at 11.55 followed

by weather. Presented by Judy
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12.10 Rainbow. Learning with
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1.30 Film: All For Mary (1955) starring Nigel Patrick and David Tomlinson as rival suitors for a Swiss Innkeeper'e daughter. Directed by Wendy Toye
3.00 What's My Line? Odd occupations quiz presented by Angela Rippon. The guests are Jilly Cooper, Simon Williams, Roy Hudd and Jilly Johnson 3.25 Thames news and weather 3.30 The Young Doctors. Medical drama series set in a large Australian city hospital
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6.25 Help talks to the PDSA about

Christmas pets
6.30 Prove It. Chris Tarrant meets a selection of members of the public with something to prove
7.00 Strike it Lucky. Game show
7.30 On the Big Hill. The last

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Alexander

10.00 News at Ten with Carol Barnes
and Alastair Stewart 10.30
Thames news and weather

10.35 Viewpoint '8& Mountains of
Gold. (see Choice)

11.35 Seconds Out. Boxing from the
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12.30 Leisure Centre, Swansea 12.30 Love Me Love Me Not. Game show illustrating how little men and women know about the opposite sex.

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Film: Dragon Rapide (1986)
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9.30 Film: The Golden Age of Buster Keaton (1975, b/w). A tribute to the silent screen comedian. Directed by Jay Ward 11.20 Film: The Chaser (1928, b/w)

Herry Langdon 12.30 Business Daily, 1.00 Sesame

2.00 Film: Dear Mr Prohack (1949) starring Cecil Parker es a consummate treasury official who inherits e fortune end proceeds to make a mess of his finencial circumstances. Directed by Thornton Freeland 3.40 The Oprah Winfrey Show with Zsa Zsa Gabor providing e guide

to her wardrobe
4.30 Fifteen-to-One. Quiz game 5.00 American Football, Houston

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7.00 Channel 4 News with Peter Sissons end Nik Gowing Sissons and Nik Gowing
7.50 Comment followed by Weather
8.00 The Divided Kingdom. In this
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8.30 Moneyspinner includes en item on how to find independent financial advice.

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scriptwriter whose daughter he left 16 years ago tums up on his doorstep wanting his help in starting a film career. Directed by Herbert Ross, Ends at 2.35.

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century Fablen Women's Group; a report on what a

new partiamentary act will mean to your medical records; and e visit to a pig auction to see how the ham

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the last of the series about the remote world of the rainforest, Andrew Mitchell

reports on the people who still live in close association

WORLD SERVICE

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6.00 Sb: O'Clock News with Bryan Martin; Financial Report
6.30 Second Thoughts: Final episode of the comedy by Jan Etherington and Gavin Petrie, with James Bolam and Lynda Bellinghem (s)
7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 Struwwelpeter: Anna Massey with a cautionary note for Christmas
7.30 Carols from Liverpoot: Brian Kay introduces the annual concert of carols and Christmas music live from Liverpool Philhermonic Orchestra and Choir conducted by lan Tracey, with St Many's RC Junior School Chok, Newton-le-Willows, 8.20 8.40
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9.30 in Touch: Today's edition of the magazine for people with e visual handicap finds out how a blind centenarian

copes with living on her own. Presented by Peter White 16.09 Kaleidoscope: A shortened edition of the arts edition of the arts
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interview with director Ken
Campbel about his School
for Clowns at the Litian
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and e Christmas report from
David Reper in Rekyavik
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Gold diggers of 1988

TELEVISION CHOICE

 In his latest report from Latin America, following his Decade of Destruction series and Banking on Disaster. Adrian Cowell visits the Ama-200 for Mountains of Gold (ITV, 10.35pm). It is two documentaries io one. The first is about the Brazilian gold rush, in which old-fashiooed prospectors, or garimpeiros, chanced their luck against the might of a multinational mining company. Drawn largely from Brazil's unemployed, some 80,000 garimpeiros made for the largest gold mine in the world and sought their fortunes with pick and shovel. Only a few got rich and hundreds were picked up and arrested by the company whose concession they had violated. If the pursuit of these latter-day Forty-Niners had its comic side, death came cheap. One man interviewed for the film is accused by the police of 135 murders. Even in its wildest days, the American West had nothing on this. In harbour facilities, are taking e

Radio 1

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Radio 2

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wave)
News on the hour.
4.00am Steve Medden 5.30
Chris Stuart 7.30 Derek Jameson
5.30 Ken Bruce 11.00 Jimmy

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presents Round Midnight 1.00am Alex Lester presents Nightnde 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music.

WORLD SERVICE

Race presents the Radio
Orchestra Show 9.00 Seven
Deadly Singsongs 10.00 Jazz
Score 10.30 The Name's the
Game 11.00 Brian Matthew



Some of the hundreds of carriers from the Serra Pelada site, said to be the richest gold mine in the world (ITV, 10.35pm) the second half of the film dim view of this environ-Cowell looks at the destruc- mental carnage. The United tioo of the Amazon forest to States has giveo Brazil four provide charcoal for the months to demoostrate "substantial progress" or it will oppose future World Brazilian iron industry. The iron ore factories could burn Bank loans. It certainly has a coke but charcoal is free. Brazil needs to export iroo to point, though poor nations like Brazil may feel that rich reduce its horrendous debt and must produce it competcountries find it easier to have itively. But the World Bank an ecological conscience. and EEC, whose loans have helped to finance the rail and

Peter Waymark

Radio 3



Mstislav Rostropovich plays Shostakovich (R3, 8.45pm)

6.55 Weather, followed by News Headlines
7.00 Morning Concert: Rimsky-Korsakov (Suite from The Invisible City of Kitezh: SNO under Neeme Jarvi)
7.30 News

7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert (contd):
Saint-Saens (Fantaisse from
Africa Op 89: RPO under
Andre Previn with JeanPhilippe Collard, piano);
Dukas (La Peri: Suisse
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Jordan); Handel (Organ
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Preston, organ) 8.30 News \$.35 Composers of the Week: Schubert, Adago and Rondo concertante in F (D Consortant if F (0
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Gerald Moore (piano);
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Collegium Aureum with Jorg Demus (fortepiano) 9.35 BBC Concert Orchestra: Bryden Thomson conducts Halvorsen's Suite ancienne Op 31; and Grieg's Symphonic Dances Nos 3

18.25 Fluts and Forteplano: Elissa Poole (flute) with Colin Tilney (forteplano) play C P E Bach's Sonata in D (Wq 83); end Franz Benda's Sonata in G Op 3 (r)

10.55 Poulenc: Music for Men's
Voices: BBC Singers under
Matthew Best sing Laudes
de Saint Antoine de Padoue;

de Saint Antoine de Padoue and Quatre petites prieres de Sant Francois d'Assise 11.15 Concert from Hanley: BBC PO under Edward Downes, with Jorge Bolet (plano) perform Wagner's Prelude to the Mastersingers; Rachmannov's Rhapsody

on a Theme of Paganini; and Elgar's Symphony No 2 in E flat 1.00 News 1.05 St David's Hall Lunchtime

Recital: Live Irom Cardiff. John Lenshan and Kathryn Lenehan (piano duet) play Hummei's Sonata in A flat Op 92: Ferdinand Ries's Polonaise No 2 Op 93; and Schubert's Fantasia in F minor ID 940) 2.00 Fritz Reiner: Celebration of the centenary of the conductor's birth. Rossini (Overture to William Tell: Chicago SO with Van Clibum, pieno);
Rachmaninov (Piano

Concerto No 2 in C minor: Chicago SO with Cliburn); Ravel (Pavane pour une inlante defunte: Chicago SO); Strauss (Tod under SO); Strauss (100 under Verklarung: Vienne PO); and Bartok (Concerto for Orchestra: Chicago SO) Petersen String Guartet: Boccherini's Guartet in DOp 8 No 5; Schumann's Guartet in A minor Op 41 No 1; and Publisher's Aprel la

1; and Dutitieux's Ainsi la 4.55 Tania Chagnot: The guitarist plays works by Praetonus, Milan, Ponce and Filipe

Pires
5.30 Mainly for Pleasure: A selection of music presented by Graham Fawcett 7.00 News 7.05 Third Ear; American writer

Edmund White, the author of Boy's Own Story and The Beautiful Room is Empty. talks about his work 7.30 Drama Now: Oenamine and the Beanstalk by Stephen Dunstone, With Polly James, Robert Meadmore, Geoffrey Matthews and Pauline Letts (r)

8.45 Music from the Flames: Maxim Shostakovich conducts London SO with Mstislav Rostropovich (cello) in Mussorgsky's Khavanshchina (Prelude to Act 11: and Shos Cello Concerto No 1 in E flat; Mstislav Rostropovich conducts Shostakovich's Symphony No 10 in E minor. Includes 9.30 interval

reading

10.40 The Jewish People in the
Year 2000: Second of three
talks by Rabbi Dr Jonathan
Sacks asks how Jewish theology — belief and practice — can survive after the horrors of the

holocaust?

11.00 Composers of the Week:
Korngold, Rozsa and Steiner (r) 12.00 News. Ends 12.05am.

FRIEND?



RADIO CHOICE

Jane Fonda: from sex-kitten to cheer leader (R4, 12.25pm) Alexander Walker's choice of Barbarella, the silliest film Jane Fooda ever made, to introduce his intelligent essay about her in Film Star (Radio 4, 12.25pm) is oot really an aberration. As the cosmic sex-kitten briefed (and, in the literal comic strip sense, de-briefed) to save the world, she was taking orders from men for practically the last time in her movie life. From then on, whenever Fonda was talked of as a driven woman, it was her revolutionary principles that supplied the motive-power. In Walker's accurate phrase, she became the natural cheer leader for an activist generation, hated by America's hawks for her co-screen and off-screen campaigns against American involvement in Vietnam, and pilloried for her militancy in the cause of the American Indian, Black Panthers, women's lib, and a ouclear-free tomorrow. One of Walker's throwaway lines you will have to be oo your bibliographic toes to catch, is likening her story to Jane's All the World Politics. Another typically Walkerian line refers to Fonda's espousal of the aerobics cause. She is, he says,

Peter Davalle

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EDITION

now preaching the message that democracy can be found

in the flesh as well as the spirit of her fellow Americans.

Robbers shoot policeman dead in chase

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it cheerfully on behalf of the public they serve."

The murdered policeman

was named last night as PC Gavio Carlton, a married man, aged 27, from Coventry. The wounded afficer was PC Leonard Jakeman, aged 38 a married man with three daughters from Nuneatoo. He was seriously ill last night after undergoing emergency surgery at the Walsgrave Hospital in Covenury.

The shootings started as the two robbers, wearing balaclavas, burst into the Midlands bank, at Station Avenue, Tile Hill in the south of the city at 10am.

The men fired a shot from a pump actinn shotgun as they herded five terrified customers into a corner of the bank and used a sledge-hammer to break down the security grille. But, as they grahbed £600 from a cashier's till, nne of the bank staff pressed a panic button which warned local police of the raid.

PC Carlton, accompanied by PC Robin Bruce, 22, were the first policemen to be directed to the bank raid. As they arrived in their fast response car in Station Avenue they spotted the gunmen escaping in a green Escort, did a U-turn and gave chase back towards the city centre.

Less than a mile away, in Torrington Avenue, PC Carlton somehnw managed to stop the get-away vehicle, hut according to police, it ap-peared that one of the gummen umped from his vehicle and npened fire at point-blank range, hittiog PC Carlton in the chest as he sat in the driver's seat.

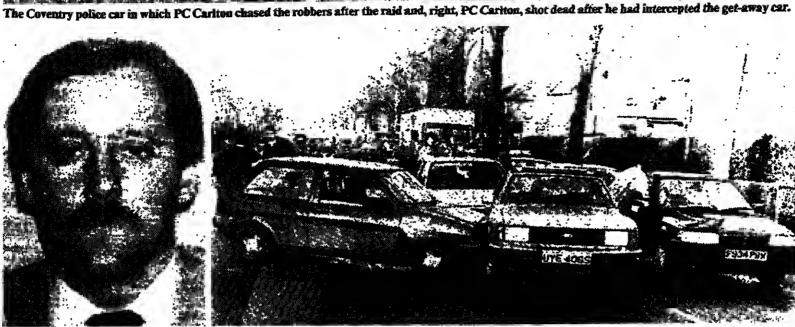
PC Bruce, who was uninjured hut extremely shocked, managed to radio for help before comforting his dying colleague. Mrs Dawn Allen, an assistant at a local garage who had seen the robbery and was also trying to pursue the robbers, also helped comfort the fataly injured nfficer. "It was horrific. He had nhviously been shot and was unconscinus.

The two gunmen sped off through the back streets of the suburban area but were spotted only a few hundred yards away in Wolf Road by PC Jakeman, who was driving an uomarked CID Metro, accompanied by PC Trevor

They saw the men switch to a second get-away car, a hlue Cortina, and pursued it onto the maio dual-carriageway A45 Birmingham to Coventry







PC Jakeman, seriously injured after being shot in the stomach and, right, the suburban road where the second get-away car was finally brought to a halt.

The gunmen's car drove in the wrong carriageway eastwards until, at the junction of Kenliworth Road where they were hlocked by another police car. At this point PC Jakeman rammed his Metro into the side of the Cortina, bringing it to a halt and then jumped out of his vehicle and grabbed the passenger in the get-away car.

Mr Tom Meffen, assistant Chief Constable (Crime) said: "PC Jakeman got out of his car and was attempting to get hold of the passenger in the get-away car. He even used his radio to hit him oo the head. But, it would appear that the driver of the get-away car, who was still sitting in his hovered low to witness the

driver's seat, shot PC Jakeman at close range." Mr Brian Haywood, aged

47, from Coventry who was right behind the rammed Cortina said it was horrific. Two men jumped out of the Cortina and they started fighting with the man from the Metro. Then the policeman was hlasted at point-blank range through the stomach, It was all over in seconds. There was a police helicopter overhead.

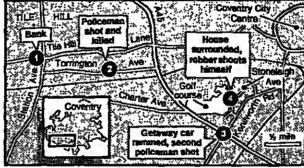
The two gunmen, still holding their shotguns, fled oo foot across the Hearshall gold course, p irsuaded by more, unarmed officers as the police helicopter hovered low over

two men clambering into the back garden of a house, 16 Stoneleigh Avenue, and breaking in to take refuge.

The owners of the house, a 3 bedroomed semi-detached, Mr Cnlin Price, a plumber, and his wife were nut shapping with their 9-mooth-old son Tom. Police said that within 30

minutes of the bank raid police marksmen from the West Midland Tactical Fire Arms squad, which is on permanant standby by in Birmingham had arrived in Coveoury and surrounded the

Sooo afterwards a volley of shots were fired indiscriminately from the



Several times one of the men emerged from the house, and then went back in, but eventually he came out again and surrendered to the waiting policemen. However, for at least an hour the other man, the 20-year-old, behaved ar-

second man through a window slumped in an armchair.

rogantly and brandished his

Police heard what sounded

like a shot at about mid-day

but it was not until 2.40 that

they were able to see the

weapon from the doorway.

Political sketch

Exit: The Witch, Enter: The Fairy

John MacGregor, the Agriculture Minister, has made a statement promising the chicken-farmers £17 million to counter the "overhang of eggs" - i.e., to smash the eggs. Millions of eggs have gone to Armenia. It was the bizarre culmination of a conspiracy of events so mysterious that it has taken your sketchwriter a weekend of contemplation and study to unravel. Now the truth can

But, first, a little ques-

Have you stopped eating eggs? Of course nnt. Do you know anyone whn has? Nn? Well, after research in Derbyshire I can take it further. It has proved impossible to trace a single person who knows anyone, who knows anyone, whn even knows anyone else, who has forsaken eggs. So the claimed 60 per cent drop in eggconsumption cannot possibly have occurred.

And why suppose that it might? Have the British stopped smaking because the Government says it kills you? When Mrs Currie said that chips and crisps cause heartattacks, did you see 'Gone Bust' signs outside chip-shops? Did Walkers' Crisps

take a nosedive? When she mid old ladies to knit woolly hats, did wool-futures rocket on the commodities market? Nn! So if Mrs Currie says that eggs might give you a tummy-ache, is it likely that anyone would take the least notice? If they had, it would have been the first time in the history of the world that an electorate had based its feeding-habits on government advice - and Mrs Currie should have been made Prime Minister.

But of course no such thing happened. The whole affair was got up by the farmers, the Ministry of Agriculture and the Foreign Office. For each had a problem. Chickenfarmers were faced by one of their gluts: nver-production was leaving millions of "unsold" eggs nn their hands. ("Unsold" means "saleable at an unacceptably low price").

In an up-and-down industry these difficulties are hardly new. The ministry's challenge, as always, was to invent a new way of subsidiz-ing farmets without inviting

Mrs Currie has resigned popular ridicule and Mr Lawson's displeasure. They have proved marvellously inventive in the past but their old favourite - "intervention" (which means chickenmountains) - is a smelly business, while their new idea - set-aside (which means asking the chickens to stop laying and read Proust) - is problematical.

A few years ago they invented an epidemic, "Newcastle Disease", in French hens, as a ruse for keeping out imports. This time, it was the turn of a British disease.
As for the Foreign Office,

they wanted a way of sidlingup in Mr Gnrbachov withnut arousing Mrs Thatcher's suspicinns. And what a brilliant solutinn! No cost in the Aid Budget - and a thousand Armenians crawl from the wreckage to face death-bydiarrhoea from British eggs. It will be interesting to see

how the next potato-glut is handled, and to what ailment the new Health Minister, Roger Freeman, has to link potatoes and wreck his ministerial career. Meanwhile, Mrs Currie is unpopular.

But only temporarily. For the British public has always believed that somebody is trying in poison it. Any MP will tell you that 95 per cent nf his mailbag is from people who believe they are being poisoned, irradiated nr otherwise interfered with by invisible substances emitted by British Rail, Sue Lawley or the DHSS.

And - you see - while the salmonella warnings took the form of official advice from ministers, the public's massive suspicion of government actually ran counter to its paranoid cooviction that somebody was trying to poison it. Now that the poisoning is nfficially denied - well, it simply must be true.

Already (as was hinted in David Clark's response for Labour) the Opposition is fine-tuning its message from "She should be sacked" to "She shouldn't have been sacked." The mood on her own side showed that persecutors have gone too far. support for her is growing. Exit Edwina the Wicked Witch: enter Edwina the Fearless Fairy. An unfamiliar role for our heroine: but this is the Pantomime Season.

Matthew Parris

Government decides on British tank | £19m payout to destroy eggs and hens

By Nicholas Wood and Michael Evans

Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Defence, will formally annunce tompronw the Government's decision to fund the development of a British-huilt prototype Challenger 2 tank for the Army as part of a deal which could lead tn an nrder for up to 600 tanks from the Leeds-based Vickers Defence Systems.

The decision to back the British tank project in pref- £1.4 hillinn contract is ex-

the United States' rival, was approved by the Cabinet's overseas and defence committee last night after lastminute negotiations yesterday with Vickers to tie the comdown to a fixed timescale that would guarantee the delivery of the first prototype within the next 12

The annuncement that the Leeds-based firm has beaten nff its American rival for the

a Commons statement by Mr Younger.

The Cabinet ministers agreed to keep alive the option purchasing the American MtAt Abrams, huilt by General Dynamics, in case the Challenger 2 tank failed to meet up to expectations.

Sources said yesterday that the Government's aim had been to find a formula which, while backing Vickers, put pressure on it to perform and did not foreclose other options crence in the MIAI Ahrams, pected to come in the form of if things went wrong. But if as in a year's time.

WORD-WATCHING

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct? By Philip Howard

b. A fabulous Chinese animal

Answers on page 16

Solution to Puzzle No 17,856

Crossword Championship 1989. Venues: Leeds, March 5; Glasgow, April 9; Birmingham, April 30; Bristol, May 14; London A and B, July 1 and 2; National

DEAE MER NEAT PEOL

TETTEROUS Spotty and scabby Unsteady

DRACHENFUTTER

a. Inchoate Tentoni b. Bribing the wife

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ministers hope and expect, the British tank does pass the transitino from "paper to metal", as ooe source put it, a firm order will be placed with Vickers. Sources estimate the final cost of the contract may be as high as £2.5 billion.

The company has already invested about £30 million nn developing the tank, including the construction of a factory at Leeds which will produce Challenger 2 if the Government gives the final go-ahead

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much more than if we had not taken these measures."

Mr Ralph Howell, Conservative MP for North Norfolk, described the statement as totally unsatisfactory. Those who had suffered "by misinformation and incompetence by a minister" should be fully compensated.

Mr Robin Maxwell-Hyslop, MP for Tiverton, said: "Those who have ample reserves of capital will survive to operate in a stabilized market. Those

who have been ruined by the events of the last two weeks will not be recompensed or

easures announced." Mr Simon Gourlay, president of the National Farmers' Union, last night welcomed the Government's action to limit the damage done to the egg industry.

So far as they go, the measures will belp to provide a lifeline to producers," he said. "But because of the drop in consumption over the last fortnight, it is very doubtful if

Most areas will start cool

the removal of 10 per cent of the flock will be sufficient.

"It remains to be seen if the limited egg-boying programme will restore a reasooable measure of market balance."

Many producers had already taken emergency action to protect their businesses and should be brought into the scope of the scheme. He would be taking up this point with

the minister immediately. Mr Dennis Warren, chairman of the United Kingdom Egg Producers' Association,

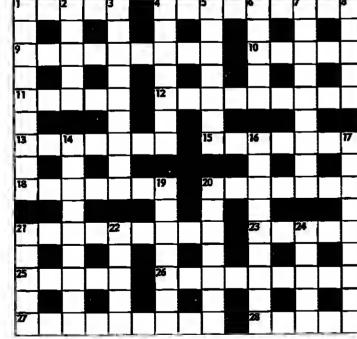
announced vesterday were the only ones the Government proposed to take, the industry

would be in trouble. The price of 30 p a dozen was at least a quarter below the cost of production and, ifpackaging costs were taken into account, represented a loss of about 50 per cent.

Whether the scheme to cull up to 10 per cent of the egg-laying flock would be sufficient depended on the extent to which the market

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- How serviceman ends up with uncertain rank ... (5).
- 4 ... and is charged to keep going (7,2). 9 Pay me back nothing loaned without hesitation (9).
- 10 Rock music (5).
- 11 Head of the school goody-goody youth (5).
- 12 Hint it's altered and put back up a gum-tree (2,3,4).
- 13 Pat used revised, newer versions
- 15 Some foreigners are cross 1 keep quiet (7). say it helps climbing (7).
- 20 One representative, a retired lady, put no the jury (7).
- 21 Fellow holding the two of hearts, a card that's inferior (5-4).
- 23 Raised the roof over this (5). 25 Shakespearian role - you can
- 26 Robin jains bats and gulls (9).
- 27 Show girls (4.5). 28 Battle of the CONTURY

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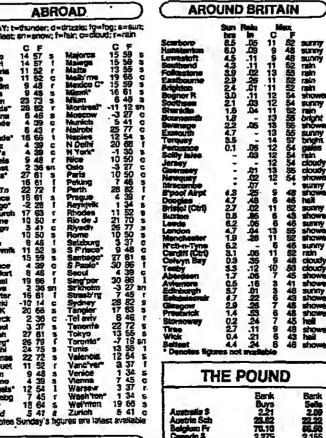
- Can't help clear man with prob-lems coming up inside (5,4).
- 2 Bloomer said to make a meal 3 Teenager Tony urges reform (9).
- 4 Sort coins shillings (7).
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- 7 Sport one race's undoing (9). 8 Time to hand nn the trust at last
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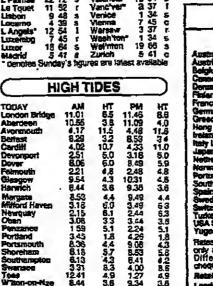
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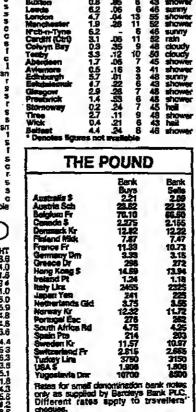
- 16 With happy heart open a trunk route up, a Roman road (6,3). 17 As this oil is spilt, it gives an
- 19 King's caught the ball (7).
- 20 lt's irritating one reformed smoker (7). 21 Chap needs the right insurance (5).
- 22 In the afternoon, little girl gives us a song (5).
- 24 He has a point, accepted by someone outstanding (5).

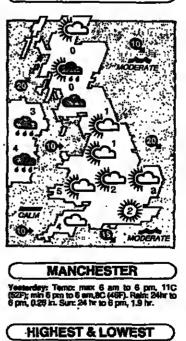
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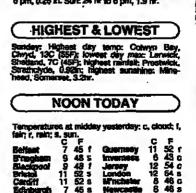
but cloud and rain in western Scotland and Northern Ireland will spread east to reach all Scotland, west Wales and south-west England by midday and all other areas by evening. Widespread hill fog. Most places mild, winds increasing in the north and west with gales especially in northern Scotland. Outlook: rain at times then colder and showery.









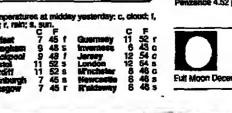


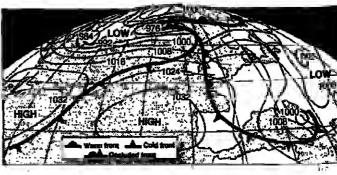


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Executive Editor David Brewerton

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T-Line lets offer for Suter lapse

Thomson T-Line's bid for Suter, the industrial conglomcrate, bas been allowed to lapse, with acceptances from just 27 per cent of Suter sharebolders, despite the board's

Thomson itself allowed the bid to fail by oot extending the offer beyond its first closing date. The decision was taken in the light of the hostile £165 million bid for Thomson from Ladbroke Group, said a spokesman for Hambros, Thomson's merchant bank, allowing the company to conceotrate on fighting that bid. Mr Tony Paton-Waish, Soter's company secretary, said the company would oot seek fresh offers.

Rejection call

Cambrian & General Securities, once controlled by Ivan Boesky, the disgraced arbitrageur, has urged shareholders to reject the "absurdly low" offer from Leucadia. Cam-brian says Leucadia's offers of 108p for each ordinary share and 120p for each capital share are at excessive discounts to net worth. Tempus, page 20

Acatos slips

Acatos & Hutcheson, the edible oils producer, saw profits slip from a peak of £12.25 millioo to £11.78 millioo m the year to October 2. Ao unchanged ..., makes 9p (8.5p). Tempus, page 20

STOCK MARKETS
New York Dow Jones 2160.36 (+9.65)*
Tokyo Nikkei Average 、29470.08 (-66.63) Hong Kong:
Hang Seng 2611.84 (-17.32) Amsterdam: Gen 263.2 (+3.0)
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NORTH SEA OIL



 Market news on Stockwatch yesterday included: Lasmo (01105) feli 9p after selling its stake in Enterprise (02546), which slumped 68p; Storehouse (01866) acquired the right

· Recent additions include: Embassy Property 03533; Planning Research and Systems 03535; Secure Trust 03536.

• Calls charged 5p for 8 seconds peak, 12 seconds

NatWest worries triggered County inquiry

Long-standing City speculation was confirmed by the Department of Trade and Industry formal inquiry into the role of County NatWest as adviser to Blue Arrow in the bid for Manpower.

The investigation comes as a blow to County, which has undergone a strong recovery this year from heavy losses and the sudden resignation last February of Mr Charles Villiers, the chairman of County, and Mr Jonathan Cohen, the chief

The resignations, which came the day before National Westminster announced that County had lost £115 million in 1987, caused widespread uneasiness in investment banking circles. Despite rumours of investigations, Lord Boardman, chairman of NatWest, insisted at the time that he knew of no inquiry into County's dealings

knew of no inquiry into County's dealings with Blue Arrow.
County advised Blue Arrow and its chairman Mr Tony Berry in its bid for Manpower, the US recruitment agency headed by Mr Mitchell Fromstein, which was launched in August 1987. It also handled the £837 million rights issue that financed the bid. The issue flopped when the stock market fell 40 points on the day. the stock market fell 40 points on the day, and only 49 per cent of the issue was taken



up. County was left holding a substantial number of Blue Arrow shares but did not disclose the size of the bolding. It was not until two months later that

National Westminster announced that the Blue Arrow shares were divided between two different divisions of County. The market-making arm, County NatWest Securities, held 4.6 per cent while the banking side owned 4.9 per cent. County said that it had not been obliged



to reveal the holdings because neither of them individually amounted to 5 per cent, the level at which disclosure must be made. There was, however, considerable surprise in the City that County's market-making arm held so many of Blue Arrow's shares. It emerged yesterday that NatWest had become so uneasy about its investment bank's activities that it commissioned Mr Philip Wilkinson, group deputy chairman and former chief executive, to investigate.



The results of his researches were passed on to the DTI and triggered the appointment

of official inspectors. Mr Charles Green, deputy chief executive of Nat West, last February denied the the resignations of Mr Villiers and Mr Cohen were in response to speculation that County had been in technical breach of the

adjourns

Cramer

hearing

The hearing of proceedings

Companies Act by not disclosing its Blue Arrow holding earlier.
The huge losses at County last year were

which had fallen nearly £50 million in value. But Couoty had run ioto a series of other disasters which had swelled the loss. Some £20 million had been lost in marketmaking during the crash, but a further £15 million had gone in provisions against bad

debt. Costs had also soared.

Partly as a result of the losses NatWest injected a further £80 million of capital ioto County at the end of last year,

The investment bank had suffered bad publicity when it lost large sums on futures and options trading during the crash which appeared to show that it lacked strong enough internal management controls. Mr Villiers and Mr Cohen resigned on the grounds that they no longer had the coofidence of their staff.

Since their departure, County has fought successfully to rebuild its corporate finance business. During the year it has partici-pated in several major bids, including advising Nestle io its bid for Rowntree, and CH Beazer in its bid for Koppers, the US

Mr Cohen has since become a nonexecutive deputy chairman of Chart-erhouse, the merchant banking arm of the Royal Bank of Scotland. Mr Villiers has become a director of Abbey National, the

Pillsbury bows to GrandMet at \$66

By John Bell, City Editor

Grand Metropolian clinched victory in its two month battle for control of Pillsbury with a revised \$66 a share offer which values the US group at £3.3 billion.

Pillsbury's chairman Mr Philip Smith and his 13 boardroom colleagues agreed to support the new terms. - a tough weekend of negotiations which ended late on Sunday night, GrandMet's deal is the biggest non-oil takeover by a British company,

Mr Allen Sheppard, chair-man of GrandMet, said: "We are very pleased. We think Pillsbury is great for Grand-Met and GrandMet can be great for Pillsbury."

The acquisition is in line with Mr Sheppard's drive to build a strong portfolio of leading brands and businesses with strong market shares. More than 80 per cent of sales in Pillsbury's consumer foods division arise from products which are either brand leaders or bold oumber two position in the US market.

These include Pillsbury's flour and frozen dough products, Green Giant vegetables and Burger King hamburgers. Mr Sheppard stressed that

the troubled Burger King op-crations, second only to Mo-Donald's in their field, would be retained. "We see a great deal of opportunity. The businesses we are going to sell are the licensed restaurants and the distribution business." US legislation prevents a drinks company like GrandMet from being in both manufacture and retailing of beer and

Since GrandMet launched its first \$60 offer, pressure has



In the can: Allen Sheppard of GrandMet yesterday after clinching his hard fought victory

tances from holdersof more than 72 per cent of Pillsbury

Friday's decision by a Delaware court, which struck down Pillsbury's "poison pill" de-fence, was a body blow to Pillsbury's hopes of continuing independence.

The final phase of negotia-tions were started late on Friday in New York by Mr Robert Greenhill, GrandMet's financial adviser Morgan Stanley & Co, and Mr Allen Finkelson, a GrandMet lawyer from Cravath, Swain &

been mouotiog oo the advisers, Mr Finkelson said to to support the bid, lawyers Pillsbury board. By last Friday, GrandMet had acception Pillsbury's lawyer at Skadden, drawing up the paperwork. Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, "We can do it at \$66 if you

> "We looked at the Delaware decision," said one Pillsbury adviser. "It was definitely appealable, but that would have created continued uncertainty for employees in the company. Pillsbury could have held out for \$67, but that would have meant another two months in the swamp."

Pillsbury executives en-dorsed the \$66 offer and conducted an informal poll of directors late on Friday. When Moore. According to the independent directors voted

Pillsbury's board believes it ultimately extracted a fair price. Before GrandMet's initial \$60 bid, Pillsbury's shares were trading at about \$30 each. Pillsbury will obtain an additional \$6 a share, or a total of \$516 million, by digging in its heels.

 GrandMet completed two more acquisitions, this time in Europe, for a combined total of £20 million. Wienerwald has 231 licensed restaurants in West Germany, while Spaghetti Factory owns five pasta restaurants in Switzerland. Comment, page 21

last week, were in court to hear

Mr Daniel Scrota, counsel adjournment was necessary for further inquiries to be

figure of £14 million.

Miss Elizabeth Gloster, counsel for the receivers, said committal proceedings against Mrs Cramer were to be discontinued as the £19,000 representing the difference between the prices obtained for the Aston Martin was to be

High Court | Growth continues as reliability of figures questioned

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

begun by the receivers of Barlow Clowes International published yesterday, suggesto commit Mr Guy Cramer, the millionaire businessman, ted that growth cootinued in to prison for alleged contempt the third quarter. But the were adjourned in the High Court to the first available statistical fog over the economy deepened. date after the courts resume on January 11, following the Christmas holiday.

The Central Statistical Office said gross domestic product probably grew by just Mr Cramer, aged 27, a above I per cent in the third former husiness associate of quarter, to a level about 3.5 Mr Peter Clowes, the head of per cent up on a year earlier.

Barlow Clowes is alleged to However, officials said that have breached a High Court some elements of the expenorder made last August, preventing him from selling or diture measure of GDP were seriously under-recorded. As a dealing with any of his per-sonal or business assets up to a result, the average GDP measure, normally derived from the expenditure, income and output calculations of GDP,

BCI claim that Mr Cramer sold his Astoo Martin to his was derived only from the girlfriend Miss Deborah Lewis latter two. - who is now his wife - for £88,000 on a Thursday and The expenditure data showed a fall of nearly 3 per the car was sold to a dealer the following Monday for The couple, who married

Mr Justice Scott agree to the

ceot on the quarter and 1 per cent on a year earlier. Conbuilding weak, and officials poioted to these areas as the likely culprits in the under-recording of expenditure. The figures showed a £4.1 billion their liking.

The latest national accounts, statistical discrepancy in the quarter, equivalent to 5 per cent of GDP.

In additioo to an underrecording of expenditure, the figures could suggest that the monthly trade figures have overstated the deterioration of Britain's external position, of-

Attention has focused on the reliability of official statistics sioce the call by the Trea-sury and Civil Service Committee this year for an iovestigation into their reliahility. Such an investigation has now been completed, under Mr Stephen Pickford, a Treasury official.

Mr Bill Martin, chief UK economist at UBS-Phillips & Drew, and an adviser to the Treasury Committee, said of yesterday's figures: "In a free society, it is very important sumer spending was strong that people have access to but tovestment and stock-building weak, and officials present unreliability of the data is fertile ground for mendacious politicians to re-ioterpret the past according to

Icahn raises holding

increased his stake in Texaco and said he was not acting in partnership with anyone in 39,669,600 shares, or 16.2 per connection with his growing cent of the commoo stock.

Mr Carl Icahn, chairman of interest in the US company.

Trans World Airlines, has In a statement to the Secur mission he said he now held

White knights for Hammerson

group. There is speculation

* This was strengthened by Hammerson's defence docu-

ment which discloses that Mr

Scott Bell, managing director of Standard Life and a non-

executive director of Ham-

merson, has been advised not

By Our City Staff

The Hammerson Group has tile £1.3 billioo bid from Rodhad white knight offers from amco, the Dutch investment North America, Sweden and the Far East, in addition to that Standard Life Assurance expressions of interest from may mount a counter offer. British companies, Mr Sydney Mason, the chairman said.

"We have had half a dozen or so white knights. Most of the major players have put their hats in the ring. We speak to them and tell them we are not quite ready for the to take part in any Hammer-

the North Sea, in the run up to 1992, has acquired Lasmo's 25.2 per cent stake in

Enterprise Oil, the independent com-pany created by the Government from

the oil assets once held by British Gas.

The stake was put on the market by

Lasmo, the other leading British in-

dependent oil company, last summer. Lasmo had acquired the stake from RTZ

Elf has paid £368 million for the stake

io 15-year loan notes which will earn

Lasmo 13 per cent a year compared to the 3 per cent yield it was receiving from its Enterprise holding.

Elf has said that it will not make a full

in exchange for shares three years ago.

GEC plea for early decision rejected

Judgment on Plessey's High Court challenge to the £1.7 million hostile bid by General Electric Company and Siemens will be made today, despite a plea by Mr Jonathan Sumption, QC, counsel for GEC-Siemens, for it to be given at the end of yesterday's He asked Mr Justice Morritt

Stock Market hours on "a highly price-sensitive issue." Mr Christopher Bathurst, QC, for Plessey, said if oo injunction was granted, GEC and Siemens could go ahead with their offer and create "an irreversible fait accompli" be-fore it could be vetted by the European Commission. If it was blocked, and the Comto give bis decision, in any mission later decided it could event, at the beginning rather go ahead, the only dis-

advantage to the bidders son board meetings on the bid. than the end, of his summing vultures," he said. Hammersoo is facing a hos-Elf acquires Lasmo's Enterprise stake

By David Young, Energy Correspondent unless Enterprise makes any future Elf, the French oil company, which has

acquisition which Elf considers would spent the past year attempting to in-crease its holding in the British sector of dilute the value of its holding. The move, which was foreshadowed in The Times on November 16, follows Elf's unsuccessful attempt to take over

Tricentrol this year. Tricentrol was eventually acquired by Arco, of California, which is believed to

have made an offer for the Lasmo Enterprise stake. Other bidders are understood to have included Shell.

The attraction of the Elf bid to Lasmo is that no capital gains tax payments are involved which means the deal is worth more than the 450p a share price announced. Lasmo calculates the value at 583p a share. Mr Chris Greentree, the Lasmo chief executive, said: "This deal

makes us probably the only cash-rich pure oil exploration and production company in existence at the moment. We can look for new acqusitions from a position of considerable strength."

Mr Graham Hearne, chief executive of Enterprise said: "Elf will be the third company to obtain this sizeable minority holding in our company. I have no doubt that Elf will benefit from the investment they have made in Britain's largest independent oil company, as Lasmo and RTZ have done before them."

The deal does not make Lasmo itself bid-proof and there is speculation that British Gas, which this year staged an abortive dawn raid on Lasmo, could be back in the bidding. British Gas is also being linked with a possible bid for Ultramar, and it is understood that Sun Oil, the US oil company, has been looking at expanding its British assets.

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MB Group

bid for Enterprise during the next 12 months — the Government has a golden share which expires next summer -

to trade in the US under the name Habitat but was still off 2p; properties did well ahead of a number of sector results.

off peak inc. VAT.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Rolls-Royce awarded £275m engine order

Rolls-Royce has announced it has won a £275 million engine order from America West Airlines, which is based io Phoenia, Arizona. The American carrier is buying 10 more 535E4-powered Boeing 757 aeroplanes and is taking an option on a further 14.

Rolls-Royce said that the deal was worth £275 million, including spares. Deliveries will start in 1992 and will increase America West Airlines' fleet to 20, plus 15 options. Sales of B757s have now topped 400 with Rolls-Royce's RB211 engine winning 60 per cent of the market and three-quarters of the customers to date.

Elswick's US move

Elswick. the lawnmower to cycles groop, has acquired Dandl Manufacturing and Dandl Enterprises of California, makers of specialist agricultural and professional grass-eniting eqoipment based on the fiall moving principle. The price — \$1.89 million (£1.04 million) comprises \$700,000 cash and \$1.19 million of deferred consideration, payable interest-free over three years.

Seascope sale by Ansbacher

Henry Ansbacher Holdings has agreed to sell Seascope Shipping to a management consortium supported by 3i, for £1.3 million in cash, after a payment of a £1.2 million dividend by Seascope to Ansbacher. Seascope contri-buted £152,000 to Ansbacher's pre-tax profit last December. Seascope's net assets prior to the payment of the dividend to Ansbacher were £1.75 million.

Offices acquisition

Palmerston Holdings, the group formed by the merger of Palmerston Investment Trust and Reliable Properties, is buying an office block in Mayfair, London, from the Church sion for £50 million

Oriel House measures 83,762 sq ft and is divided into two buildings. Bain House, the larger of the two, serves as the head office of Bain (UK) and is let for £500,000 a year, which is set to rise to £2 million next year. The other building, Lex House, head office of Lex Service, is let for more than £500,000, subject to rent review next June. Paimerston expects substantial rental growth in the short term. It said

WA Holdings' Broadwell £1.78m deal

WA Holdings, the industrial Broadwell Land, the London products distributor, has property development group. bought two related com- made pre-tax profits of just panies. Planet Gloves and more than £1 million for the Safety Specialists, for £1.78 six months to end September million. Planet imports and against more than £4 million distributes industrial gloves for the preceding 12 months, and protective clothing: but says it is still on course Safety distributes protective for a satisfactory year. Since clothing. The two had sales the end of September the of £4.78 million and pre-tax company has agreed sales of profits of £309,000 in the £20 millioo. There is an

makes £1m

interim divideod of 1.36p.

£5.1m buys for Caird

Caird Group is acquiring Finns Waste Disposal and the environmental services related business, J Kirkcaldy and Soo (Southampton), plus assets of Energy and Marine Industries, for a total of £5.1 million.

The consideration will be satisfied through the issue of 1.16 million shares at 292p each and £1.7 million jo cash. Assets being acquired from EMI and the principal assets of Key Quarries, a subsidiary of Finns, have been valued at £3.1 million. Planning approval has been granted to Finns for the operation of a waste transfer station on Tyne Tees wharf.

WALL STREET

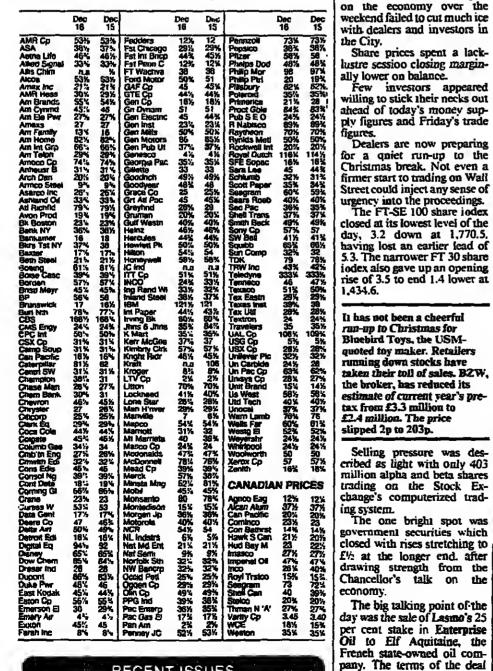
New York (Renter) - Wall Street shares fell in early trading vesterday, partly on profit-taking after Friday's blue chip gains, brokers said.

However, they added that selling was light and if it dried up, the market could see some year-end cash investment.

The Dow Jones industrial average was down 3.21 to holidays.

2.147.50 at one stage while the transport indicator was 1.66 lower at 959.29. Declining issues narrowly

led advancing shares. • Tokyo - The Nikker index closed 66.63 lower at 29.470.08 as share prices finished weaker in slow trading on the approach of year-end



RECENT ISSUES EQUITIES Apollo Metals (58p)
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Apollo Watch (58p)
BMSS (118p)
Betacom (82p)
Bestacom (82p)
Bestacom (135p)
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Metro Radio (110p)
Nat Telecom (120p)
Planning Research
Portminen Pots (180p)
Racel Telecom (170p)
Riva (110p)
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(Issue price in brackets)

It looks as though some market-makers suffered heavy losses on the deal. They complained that the first they

nearer 580p a share.

knew of it was a one-line message on the news agency tapes which indicated that the terms were way below the market's original expec-

valued Enterprise at 430p net

of capital gains tax. But Elf has

financed the deal by issuing

loan stock valuing the deal at

Br Agro Br Arways Br Comm Br Gas Sr Land Br Patrol Br Telector Synzal Burmah Burton Caw Carbury Enterprise shares plunged,

Dash of French dressing for UK oil .

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Chris Greentree, the chief executive of Lasmo, will spend this Christmas counting the money he has made for his company by selling its 25.2 per cent stake in Enterprise Oil, its fellow independent, to Elf, the French oil major.

The sale converts an asset which was earning a yield of 3 per cent a year into one which will earn 13 per cent, and makes Lasmo probably the only cash-rich pure explora-tion and production oil com-pany io the oil business.

It also relieves Mr Greentree of the embarrassing tag of being head of an independent oil company which made more from the dividend payments it received from a competitor than from producing oil itself. And it gives him the backing to switch from the role of potential prey to that of

Lasmo would have to cashin some of the Elf loan ootes it has been given to make any acquisition, and in doing so would lose some of the tax advantage the deal brings, but Mr Greentree is aware that while the world oil price is depressed, oil assets are on the market and he is now io the position of taking phone calls from sellers

Having said that, it does oot mean Lasmo in its entirety is no longer a takeover target. British Gas is still playing a

By Wolfgang Munchan

Sema Group, Europe's secood

largest software firm which

was formed by the merger of

CAP Group and Sema-Metra

of France, issued a warning

that profits for the eight

mooths to December will be

lower than estimated at the

Smith, joint managing direc-

tor of Sema and former chief

executive of CAP Group, has

resigned as a result of policy

disagreements about the

future management structure

M Pierre Bonelli, the other

joint managing director, will take over as sole group manag-

Words of comfort from the Chancellor of the Exchequer

Share prices spent a lack-

Few investors appeared

Dealers are now preparing

Selling pressure was des-

The one bright spot was

In addition, Mr Mike

time of the merger io May.

Lasmo to its portfolio. And Companies such as Arco, Shell and Mobil, who were in the bidding for Lasmo's Enterprise stake, are anxious to build up their North Sea asset

The move has also made Enterprise oo less a takeover target, although Elf has said that it will not launch a full bid for the company during the next 12 months.

The loophole Elf has left itself is that no such bid will emerge unless circumstances Enterprise were to seek to strengthen its position and

make any acquisition, paying in cash or by issuing new shares, Elf would feel free to make a full hid. The end result is that in effect little has changed in the British independent oil sector. Both Lasmo and Enterprise

could still disappear into the arms of a major oll and gas company. Elf has only added some French seasoning to the present mix of ingredients. Acatos &

Acatos & Hutcheson has some reason to feel aggrieved with the City. The edible oil producer floated in July 1986 at waiting game and would like 160p. on a pre-tax profits to add a company such as forecast of £6.7 million for 12 two distinct areas of activity.

Mike Smith: stepping down

against a forecast at the time

of the merger of about £21

million. Sema's share price fell

26p to 299p after the

Sears

only to rally strongly after the

full details of the sale were

The price then suffered

another relapse when it emerged that ELF had agreed

to a year's cooling-off period.
Enterprise finished 86p lower at 460p, while Lasmo fell 20p to 462p. One fund manager complained: "A lot of people will have lost fortune Vou

will have lost fortunes. You

period also succeeded in dispersing some of the specu-

lative froth that had built up

in the rest of the sector. Losers

included Ultramar, 8p to 273p, and BP, 3p to 2564p.

Saxooe and Dolcis stores

group, was a flat spot, falling 7p to 107p as almost 10

million shares changed hands.

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Sears, the Selfridges to

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can't deal on guesswork."

announcement,

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FTA INDEX (rebased) 400 ACATOS & HUTCHESON SHARE PRICE

This is taken to mean that if months to end-September that

By September 1987 it had come close to doubling this figure, to £12.25 million, and earlier this year the shares had been pushed to above £5. But poor interim figures in May. and warnings of increasing competition, put them into a tail-spin and they closed unchanged at 190p yesterday.

In vain does the chairman. Mr Iao Huicheson, point to pre-tax profits of £11.78 million in the year to October 2 1988, somewhere above most market expectations and not much below last year's peak. The market cannot see the shares doing much io the short term, and analysis are unwilling to grant his company much more than a weak hold. even at this level.

The company splits into

run-up to Europe's internal market, but analysts have

pointed out that the problems

problematic nature of Anglo-

French mergers, particularly

Mr Alan Benjamin, a direc-

tor of Sema Group, said:

The company said it still believed "in all the aspects

and justifications for the

merger." The setbacks are at

the CAP Group end of the

in the service industries.

at Sema Group highlight the problems on four cootracts.

Sema sounds a profit warning

The £97 million deal was problems as a result of lower

(STOCK MARKET)

economy fail to inspire the City

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William Hill betting office

chain to Grand Metropolitan, the Truman and Watney

Mann drinks group, for £331

million. There are now wor-

ries in the market that the deal

will be referred to the

Monopolies and Mergers

Mecca betting office chain and the the addition of William

Hill, it is feared, might create a

monopoly in areas such as

London. GrandMet, which

has just won control of Pillsbury, the US food group,

slipped 1p to 430p.
The sale of William Hill has

been seen as a significant move by Sears, which has

been heavily tipped as a potential takeover target and one of the last big break-up situations in the high street

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Lucas 1,825
Magnet 394
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GrandMe1 already owns the

Central edible oils, which are supplied to the food manufacturing industry, put up a good performance, but Mr Huicheson concedes that overcapacity in the British market and the inroads of Dutch and Belgiao imports, encouraged by a pound which rose yearon-year from DM2.90 to DM3.20, will take an increasing toll this year.

DATASTRE

Against this the retail side, which includes Pura Foods, slipped into a small loss in 1987-88, a turnaround approaching £2 million, Improved efficiencies should boost retail operations this year, although losses at Pura will continue as investment in the growing Spanish operation mounts - the total cost of the investment is set et £10 million, and profits are not expected until the early 1990s.

Analysts are looking for

The company said that there

will be only a marginal

contribution to profits from

the CAP Group operations in Britain and The Netherlands.

stake to 20 per cent recently.

CGS was known to oppose the

link-up and is still rumoured

to contemplate a full bid for

CAP Group reported pre-tax profits of £8.3 million oo

has been its best form of

defence. Back in the summer the group was capitalized at more than £2 billion, but

following the recent stock market slide that figure has

been reduced to £1.6 billion.

Dealers claim Sears may

the Sema Group.

current year, to less than £10 million at the pre-tax level. The shares are therefore on an unimpressive p/e multiple of about 10 while lacking the compensation of a healthy yield. On an unchanged 9p dividend this year this would be a more 5.5 per cent. The shares cannot be recommended until some signs of an unturn are cyldent.

Cambrian

& General

Cambrian & General Securities, once an Ivan Boesky vehicle, has the dubious distinction of having its future decided by a bunch of "insiders". The US Treasury has inherited prisoner Boesky's stake and now owns 12.68 per cent of the ordinary shares and 54.60 per cent of the capital shares. The US Treasury has sent in a proxy for use at today's annual meeting.

Up for consideration is a technical resolution that the company be wound up. But, as usual, the board urges share-holders to vote against this.

At the same time, Cambrian shareholders are being urged not to accept an "absurdly low" offer now on the table from US-based Leucadia. It is easy to agree with the

another drop in profits in the dismissive argument from Cambrian, especially with a November 30 net asset valuation of 129.25p for the ordinary shares, and 170,14p for

the capital shares. These valuations take a "worst possible" view of current litigation in the United States and of a long-running dispute with the Inland Revenue concerning Cambrian's

tax status. There are suggestions, on which more light could be thrown today, that progress is being made oo both fronts. If so, then even the November net asset valuations - which were depressed from end-September calculations because of the dollar's weakness - may well bound higher.

Cambrian says that while any takeover offer is not unwelcome the question of price is important. The board is also conscious that shareholders want to see some action from their holdings.

But Leucadia's offer, at discounts to net worth of 16. per cent and 29 per cent is, even oo the "worst case" asset valuation, too low for serious consideration. And on those grounds alone shareholders should stick out for more.

If Leucadia seriously wants Cambrian it should bid more. If not, then other bidders are bound to come along. Like Boesky himself - they should

COMPANY BRIEFS

TAMARIS (Int) Pre-tax:£0.18 (£0.11)m EPS: 1.1p (1.5)p financial markets, smaller Div: None announced than expected order levels from industry and project

SECURITY ARCHIVES (Int) Pre-tax: £0.41 (£0.32)m EPS: 4.4 (4.4)p

EXPLAURA HLDGS. (Int) Pre-tax; £0.03m loss EPS; 0.03p loss

TOPS ESTATES (Int) Pre-tax: £0.47 (£0.30)m EPS: 1.08 (0.71)p Div: nil

"This is oot a French coup d'etat, for lack of a better English word. It was a disagreement between Mr Smith and the board." Mr Smith had no comment to make.

Before the merger, Cap Gemini Sogeti, Europe's largest software firm, had increased its stake in CAP Group to 29.9 per cent. This was diluted to 12 per cent after the deal, but CGS built up its NTH.OF SCOT.INV. (Int) Pre-tax: £0.05m EPS: 0.18 (0.01)p Div: nil VICTORIA CARPET (Int) Pre-tax: £1.10 (£0.70)m

EPS: 11.5 (6.97)p Div: n/a G F LOVELL (Int) Pre-tax: £0.09m loss EPS: 6.0p loss Div: nil (nil) It is now estimated that pre-tax profits will be between £12 hailed as an example of Anglo-million and £13 million, French co-operation in the stitutions after the collapse in the year to April 30.

Turnover £1.06m. Comparative figures are for the full year. The board looks forward to the second half with optimism.

The chairman looks forward to announcing a lurther increase in turnover and profits for the full vear.

Pre-tax profit for 1987 £0.10m and earnings per share 0.06p. Onshore construction is well edvanced.

The company's freehold shops property portfolio continues to generate satisfactory increases n rental income. Two new investments are at an edvanced stage of negotiation. Chairman hopeful for completion

Although currency rates remain unpredictable, board believes that full year's results will

not disappoint shareholders. Pre-tax loss for 1987 totalled £0.08m and loss per share 5.8p. Company's move away from retail selling should help in future.

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

Chancellor's weekend words on SR, English Chana Clay, Mount Charlothe, Mounted, Hillsdow

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It has paid \$3 million for Premier Management Group,

one of Baltimore's largest security and cleaning com-panies, and \$2.5 million for Spence Protective Agency, a privately-owned company providing security services in Delaware, Pennsylvania and Maryland. Both companies have a combined turnover of more than \$14 million. Mr Alan Baldwin, chairman

choose to use the proceeds from the William Hill sale to launch a bid for its troubled rival, Next. Speculation has intensified followed the depar-ture of Mr George Davies as chief executive of Next. Next recovered an early 4p fall to finish the session allsquare at 134p despite a sell recommendation from New York-based Morgan Guaranty. Morgan is also bearish about Storehouse, down 3p at remained dull with analysts expressing some coocern about the run-up to Christmas Trusthouse Forte have been left behind lately. The pre-tax profits up from £165 million to £209.5 million.

- traditionally the high street's busiest time of the year. There are claims that the recent rise in interest rates may have curbed consumer spending. As a result, Dixons fell 4p to 126p, Laura Ashley 3p to 97p, while Burton lost an early 5p lead to finish 2.5p Securiguard, the security.

Dealers claim shares of

price firmed 6p to 251p on

turnover of almost 2.5

million shares. Full-year

figures in the New Year

reading. Analysts expect

iodustrial eleaoiog aod personnel services group, held steady at 197p following a couple of acquisitions in the

of Securiguard, says: "We are

committed to further expansion in the US and currently stretch from New York State to Washington DC."

cheaper at 176p.

Michael Clark

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agreement

MB Group, formerly known as Metal Box, has signed the

£780 million merger agree-

ment with Carnaud, the

Before the complicated

merger can go ahead, how-ever, MB Group needs clear-ance from the European Commission, which is in-

vestigating the deal, as well as

legal approval for the change of the company's structure,

and the approval of February

Craton Lodge & Knight, the

Earnings per share fell to 0.63p (7.77p). The 1.8p final dividend makes 2.5p.

Australian Newsprint Mills, jointly owned by The News

Corporation and Fletcher Challenge, has deferred an Aus\$600 million (£280 mil-

lion) expansion plan because

of signs that the upward trend

in world newsprint consump-tion is about to level out.

Edging ahead Waterglade International, the

property development com-

pany, has turned in £2.2 million half-year pre-tax profits, up from £2 million. Earn-

ings per share are 6.16p (6.14p). The interim dividend

The recommended Guinness

offer, through Harp Lager Company, for Buckley's Brew-ery, the south Wales hrewer,

attracted acceptances for al

most 43 per cent of the equity,

in addition to the 53 per cen

Severfield-Reeve has started a £1.5 million expansion of its

Stakis, the Scottish hotel and

leisure group, denied yes-terday that it was to relocate in

London Mr Andros Stakis, chief executive, said: "It's total hogwash. We are fiercely

Lothian Regional Council has

pledged its support for Scot-

against the Elders IXL hid in a

suhmission to the Monopolies

and Mergers Commission.

S&N ally

Harp bought last month.

Growth plan

43% accept

In abevance

24's extraordinary meeting.

Craton down

French packaging group.

Abbey investors stand to gain from float 'loophole'

windfall gains for investors cash sum of about £50. who close their accounts after the qualifying day than for those who get shares.

This arises because provision has to be made for those ineligible to vote - those with less than £100 in their accounts, the under-18s and those who have closed their accounts between the qualifying and voting dates.

These people will get a payout which reflects their

rejected

By Our City Staff

Banner was close to victory.

moral questions since the

shareholders would have to

accept a lower offer as a result

of Banner's decision. Banner

would not be able to claim

that its offer was in the best interest of Avdel shareholders.

Banner said it now con-

trolled about 45.1 per cent of

\$5m purchase

and Spence Protective Agency

for \$5.5 million (£2.9 million),

rising to a possible \$10 million, depending on profits.

Midland

cash for

Unicef

iety could provide greater count, for example, will get a

Those who remain members of the society and are eligible to vote can expect a handout of shares.

The society does not accord votes in line with the amount holder can expect about £200 to stop a run. worth of free shares.

share of the society's reserves. for example, £50,000, in their all but a few pounds to hand-out.

The proposed flotation of the Abbey National Building Soc- society's Mickey Mouse Ac- day, who withdrew the money themselves from the vote, day, who withdrew the money before the vote, could be in line for a £2,500 payout. The Abbey will not disclose the qualifying day in advance, but it is unlikely to be long

before voting day. But the Abbey could refuse to close any accounts after the held in accounts and thus the announcement has been "one man, one vote" principle will probably extend to the of the model rules adopted by share structure. Each share- all building societies - is one

But it would not protect the But account-holders with, society from those transferred

taking a chance that the qualifying date had passed; or those who pass funds from their own accounts to their

Those who open accounts now with more than £100 could still be eligible for free shares. The rules say that in order to subscribe for priority shares, members must have had £100 in their accounts for at least two years, hut the time qualification does not appear

consumer product develop-ment consultancy, saw pre-tax to relate to the free shares profits for the year to end-September fall from £695,000 to £108,000. Turnover rose to £5.29 million (£4.69 million).



Benefits: Stefan Simmonds, Drummond chairman (left), with Sergio Coimbra of Chargeurs

Chargeurs, a French conglomerate which owns UTA, France's second largest airline, is buying a 20.1 per cent stake in Drummond Group, the Yorkshire wool textiles group at a price of 130p per share (Wolfgang Munchau

Avdel's capital, representing Both companies hope to gain distribution advantages from the agreement. Mr Mark 43.18 per cent of voting rights. Dickson, group managing director of Drammond, said: Securiguard is expanding in the US with the acquisition of This is a case of a small Yorkshire company which de-cided not to stay parochial, because 1992 is not going to go away. In fact it is a big step for a company based in Yorkshire, Premier Management Group

where one regards even Lancashire as foreign territory." Senhor Sergio Coimbra, the head of Chargenrs' woollen textile division, will be ap-pointed to the Drummond Commenting on the deal, he

said: "We want to get the whole business on a long-term basis." He said the group was planning more acquisitions in the area but he expected no anti-trust issue to be raised by the European Commission. Chargeurs has agreed not to launch a full bid for the next

three years. Following the announcement the Drammond share

was hardly ever required to

be trading profitably next year," Mr McFarlane said. He

added that after the spread-

cutting war between market

makers earlier this year, dealing spreads could begin to

widen again as dealing firms

Scrimgeour said that it did

not expect to have to make

any further large staff cots

after the current move, and

about 1,000 to 400. Scrim-

stamp-less envelope inside his

own card to the sender and

scrawled on it: "You always

addressed to Paul van

Romunde, one of Rodamco's

directors. It was promptly

returned, marked: "Not known

quisition of the Wienerwald

chain from Friderich Jahn -

at this address."

the loss of 40 jobs.

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Christmas greetings

suffered from heavy losses.

"We are confident we will

quote prices or deal.

price rose Sp to 104p. The deal coincided with the announce-ment of Drammond's interim results, which saw pre-tax profits fall from £771,000 to £501,000 in the six months ended September 30, despite a moderate increase in turnover from £14.44 million to £15.89

factory at Thirsk, north York-The downturn came as shire, providing twin producresult of the current high level tion lines, each housing capacity to produce more than 20,000 tonnes of fabricated of interest and exchange rates, import penetration and problems in the Middle East. steelwork annually. Earnings per share fell from Move denied

7.22p to 4.60p, partly as a result of a higher tax charge. The interim dividend remains unchanged at 1.0p per share.

CSV cuts out 200

Midland Bank has written off \$800,000 (£439,000) of loans to Sudan in a deal which transfers the money to the United Nations Children's The move is the first between

an international bank and an aid organization, and the first time one has been tried in sub-Saharan Africa. Sudan has agreed to exchange the debt at a large

discount in local currency. Although Sudanese debt trades on the secondary market at 2 to 5 per cent of face value, the Midland loans are believed to have been swapped for about 10 per cent of theirs.

This leaves Unicef with about \$80,000 from the deal to spend on a health, water and reforestation programme.

draws rein

The black horse of Lloyds

Bank seems to have come a

cropper when it tried to ride

roughshod over the feelings of

the residents of Tunbridge

Wells, Kent. The bank has

now had second thoughts

about a plan, which I recently

reported here, to close Halls, the antiquarian bookshop in

got our new lease yet, hut after

all the support, we feel a lot more secure." A Lloyds

spokesman said it was an

"enlightened decision" to take

notice of its customers and the

strength of feeling in the town.

Lloyds

on shop

low-activity stocks

Citicorp Scrimgeour Vickers, the US-owned stockbroking company, has cut the number of stocks in which it makes markets by 200 to 400 in a further effort to make a profit in current market conditions.

Scrimgeour, which reckons to have lost about £20 million over the last year in equity market-making, is pursuing a rigid policy of concentrating its activities to maximize profits. "Our aim is to build up our productivity," said Mr John McFarlane, managing director of Scrimgcour.

The company is concentrating its energies on trading the larger, higher turnover stocks. Those being cut out account for less than 5 per cent of tumover. Scrimgeour said that in some of the stocks it

BT ready for more Euro links

By Derek Harris Industrial Editor

Two co-operation deals just made hy British Telecom with telecommunications operators in Spain and Italy are likely to be followed by similar deals in other European countries. West Germany and France are two of the likeliest.

The deals are in the context of the European Commission's drive to secure liberalization of telephone network operations ahead of the single market in 1992.

that it had brought its cost base down to a level at which The Spanish deal is with it could expect to begin to Telefónica de España, which make a profit. So far this year like BT has been privatized, staff numbers have fallen from with a minority stake for the state. That in Italy involves geour also closed its gilt-edged Stet-Societa Finanzaria, the trading operation in July with state-controlled telecommunications group.

Broker's

Lack of volume in the stock market during the pre-Christ-mas period is clearly leaving time for its muses to put pen to paper. As a further response to the senuments written hy Eric Baker, the former Parrish hroker, printed here last week I have now received this from his former colleague. Peter Bainbridge, chief executive of Parrish, which is one of the few remaining publiclyquoted independent stockbrokers. It runs:

Nice to hear from Eric Baker Established half-commission

That the trading floor has passed oway

For far better (what o joker) They pinched our staff and now they sacked 'em So much for "dictum meum

foreign trader Or perceive him as a space invader If we wish to play on a global basis We have to admit the other

races We know they've pushed up rents and pay

But some, or most, are here to We ignore them at our peril Nomura, Svenska, Bache and

60 Ashbourne Court. Woodside Park Road,

MB signs COMMENT David Breweston Carnaud

Hammerson chief keeps white knights waiting

ydney Mason has his own word for the would-be white knights gathering outside the elegant gates of Hammerson Group's office at 100 Park Lane, London. "Vultures," he snorts.

Whether he includes his largest shareholder, Standard Life Assurance, in that unflattering ornothological category is not certain, but Standard Life might indeed find the cap (or is it hood?) will fit. Standard Life, a good friend of Hammerson for a generation, which has exchanged debt and property interests for increasing numbers of Hammerson shares, has little use for the cash which Rodamco is offering. The expectation in the market is that if Rodamco cannot do better, much better, than its current offer and other shareholders want out, Stan-

dard will step in. Standard's managing director, Scott Bell, wisely kept his head down yesterday afternoon, declining to comment before he knew what he was being asked to comment upon. He could, of course, guess. Hammerson's defence document, a glossy production almost totally devoid of new information, notes that the same Mr S Bell, a non-executive director, has been told by his lawyers to keep out of the way when the Hammerson board discusses the bid, for fear of conflicts of

Mr Mason says he has not discussed

the merger with Standard Life, and Hammerson's managing director goes one further and says that since the takeover bid from Rodamco was launched, they have heard nothing from

their old friends north of the Border The next scheduled step in the elaborate hid dance is that Hammerson will hammer out some numbers. The defence document is full of enticing phrases leading shareholders to the inevitable conclusion that there are pots of gold hidden in all over the empire, but Hammerson has until mid-January 10 produce the up-to-date net asset value and there is no point in letting the numbers out now.

At present, according to Mr Mason, he is treating all prospective bidders the same, leaving them standing outside on the pavement. He has no need to do anything else because the Hammerson share price is a clear pound above the Rodamco offer. But given a market slide in the new year coupled with an uplift in the Rodamco terms, he may decide to talk turkey with Standard Life or any one of the other half-dozen would-be bidders

who have thrown their hats into the ring. Meanwhile, shareholders have nothing to fear from sitting tight and watching events, although the current price in the market would be tempting for anyone with a near-term need for cash.

GrandMet's meaty task

A nother day, another deal for GrandMet. After Friday's relatively modest £331 million for William Hill, GrandMet has struck its bargain for Pillsbury at £3.2 billion. The group's restless chairman, Allen Sheppard, promises a respite. "I don't expect to announce another before Christmas," he quipped yesterday. The excitement may be over, but GrandMet now has the serious business of whipping Pillsbury into shape and reducing a mountain of

With Pillsbury aboard, GrandMet's gearing is back where it was after Heublein was bought at around 150 per cent of shareholders' funds. When GrandMet has attributed some value to Pillsbury's brands, and it bas plenty to sink its teeth into, the debt/equity ratio will probably emerge at closer to 100 per cent. Interest cover, which GrandMet has seen at a luxurious seven times in the recent past, will shrink to a nevertheless comfortable three to four times. No problems there, given the cash-generative nature of the group's

Mr Sheppard confirmed that he will stick to his original plan and retain the troubled Burger King chain, disposing of only the tied distribution business, Distron, and the licensed restaurant

with Burger King, Mr Sheppard is a with tales of woe from the group, he time expected earnings.

believes that the more one looks at Burger King the more one finds. The operations have been bedevilled by abrupt changes of direction under seven presidents in the past nine years. New directions have been explored and more often than not abandoned as blind alleys. More than 2,000 units have been "discontinued," to use the currently fashionable management euphemism, over the past five years.

GrandMet sees a reasonable company trying to emerge from this mess. The company-operated Burger King outlets show fair returns. In the past year they have produced operating margins of around 16 per cent, just 2 points short of the market leader, McDonald's.

GrandMet sees not a turnround exercise in prospect (the core Burger King business has produced slowly growing returns, it says) but a speedingup operation instead.

Revitalizing the hamburger chain will be an acid test of the new Sheppard strategy. The problems are only part due to promotional spending, even though McDonald's spends twice as much as the \$200 million advertising budget at Burger King. It is a classic brand management problem of a kind which GrandMet must be seen to tackle with

Meantime, shareholders can take On the thorny subject of what to do comfort that there is hardly much of a premium in GrandMet shares for the notential benefits of making P Street analysts, who have become bored fly. At 430p, down lp, they sell for 8.3

BUSINESS LETTERS

British Steel predictions

From Dr R. Mackie Sir, May I be permitted to congratulate you upon one issue and question you upon another?

First, I wish to congratulate you upon your forthright stance about the British Steel issue on the Wednesday (November 30) before it came out. As things turn out, you were dead right but there was a finite chance, at that time, that you could have been wrong (about short-term profits) and wound np with jam all over your face. I've read too many ifs and buts and could-bes in

my time not to appreciate your courage on this occasion. Second, the learned Maxwell Newton, who has, to my observation, been right on a number of occasions when everyone else (well, just about) was wrong. So when I read his piece on December 12, I naturally pay serious atten-tion; while wishing that he could advance some evidence that the US budget question is

"receding so fast etc etc". DR R. MACKIE 3 Fairlight Cotts, Tanners Street, Faversham.

Modern debtor

From Mr Rodney Atkinson

Sir, Your correspondent Sir Richard Dobson (December 13) was so right to criticise the bank advertising its loans on television. He quoted the young lady in the advertisement wondering "whether she could afford a skiing holiday" - the answer being that she could if she took out a loan from the bank. One thing is absolutely certain. If she could not afford the holiday without a loan she could certainly not

afford a holiday after she had paid the bank's interest rates. But perhaps it is not surprising that after so many years of official subsidy for interest payments (mortgage interest relief) and unofficial subsidy (inflation) the modern debtor farm subsidies. is oblivious of the true nature and costs of borrowing.

Yours faithfully, RODNEY E. B. ATKINSON,

The trouble with Next's board MP's 'flawed

From Mr William Wycherley the wider issue of how husi-Sir, Your Comment column (December 13), Time for

Next, and various other re- like George Davies. ports concerning Mr and Mrs Davies' departure from Next, fills me with foreboding.

No commentator I have read has pointed out that the composition of Next Plc lead to some such con-

The real cause of the problem is a United Kingdom company law that allows Next Plc board to be composed as it was; the post of chairman and chief executive to be comhined in one man and to have another member of his family in a key role with insufficient other directors to give a proper forum for discussion

was bound to lead to trouble. It also incidentally raises

nesses keep on board the difficult, autocratic, hut above David Jones to Decide What's all highly creative executives

Whilst 1 do not necessarily favour two tier boards, it does seem likely that this catas-trophe could well have been avoided if George Davies and David Jones had had to board was almost bound to conduct their arguments in a wider context.

Whatever the rights and wrongs, there will be no winners in this situation, and whatever the outcome, can we not learn and seek a revision of Pic board law to try to avoid such shooting-in-the-foot exercises in the future? Yours faithfully,

WILLIAM WYCHERLEY, 53 Lombardy Rise. Waterlooville, Hants. December 13.

Banking on the wrong advertising image

From Mr Ian Crichton Sir, Today's letter from Sir electronic game in an amuseimpecunious young into deht. December 13) is a timely one. The television advertising used by some British banks recently has been appalling.

For example, we have had NatWest advertising themselves to the strains of a pop hit from the past called "Pinball Wizard." This is designed. no doubt, to appeal to the younger generation, hut surely gives the impression that a December 13.

bank is no different from an

Richard Dobson (Luring the ment arcade - a gamble with a modicum of "skill" involved. If this is the image British banks are projecting, is it any wonder that attitudes of young people toward the use of money are so self-indulgent and ultimatley ruinous?

> Yours faithfully. IAN CRICHTON. 16 Knighton Close. South Croydon. Surrey.

understanding'

From Mr Mike Windsor Sir, The recent letter from Robert Banks MP (December 6) about Membership of Lloyd's and the availability of Stop Loss Cover demonstrates a flawed understanding of

As a representative of the people it is hoped that he does not really believe that "something can be obtained for nothing", or that freely adopted risk can in some way be sanitized. Membership of Lloyd's is

not an investment. It is a participation in a husiness where unlimited liability is accepted by those who wish to take part.
Stop Loss Cover is not a

means of avoiding unlimited liability hut merely one of the ways of spreading risk. Like any other product, it is governed by availability and price. It appears that Mr Banks is

unable to distinguish between an investment and a husiness participation. Could it also be that he

helieves that Stock Exchange investors should see their risk capital protected so as to absolve them of possible loss? Clearly if this were so it would be an equally ridiculous notion.

Yours faithfully, MIKE WINDSOR. 6 Chester Road. Northwood. Middlesex. December 9.

Consumers paying price for cosseting of European farmers

From Mr Jon Nicoles Sir. I am growing tired of European Community commissioners and trade negotiators citing the fact that the community has 11 million farmers against only 21/2 million in the US as a reason for resisting US pressure to elimi-nate all "trade distorting"

The community also has 323 million consumers against 243 million in the US (end-1987 figures). It has many

dependent upon the prosperity of farm-product-exporting purchasers of manufactured goods and services around the Europe world. The US proposal may be

conventions. It may be inconsistent with the US stance on textiles trade. But how long are Europeans prepared to be impoverished in order to cosset the protectionist demands of electorally-powerful minormillion more taxpayers. And, ities? IMF Occasional Paper JON NICOLES

European economy, it is more the latest in a lengthy list of studies showing how much better off we would all be by forgoing the idea of "fortress

What is especially galling is to be told that Europe must outwith Gatt negotiating have a "social dimension". That objective can best be served hy letting shoppers (and taxpayers) enjoy the benefit of cheap food and an unhindered choice of the Yours faithfully,

since trade bulks larger in the 62, published last month, is 30 Gloucester Circus, SE10.

Chapel Place, of which it owns the freehold. Lloyds wanted to install a cashpoint machine where the shop stood but its prospective closure provoked such a protest, including threats that customers would take their accounts elsewhere, that the bank is reconsidering. The shop's lease was due to expire next March and, when it was heard that it would not be renewed, nearly 3,000 customers signed a petition sent to Sir Jeremy Morse, Lloyds' chairman. Support came from luminaries such as Denis Healey, Lady Antonia Fraser and book buyers from America. Miss Sabrina lazard, the proprieter, said: "We have been here for 91 years, but the bank bought the premises, which are in a conservation area, at auction 21 years ago. Ironically, we bank with the Lloyds branch next dnor which does need a cashpoint, and the only place to put it was on our premises. It is not a total victory as we have not



If you thought sending your own Christmas cards was an

slipped past the franking machine. This then exrued the irate recipient a 25p surcharge. He duly returned the Fast mover GrandMet's global acquisitiveness for fast food chains it now has Burger King

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Special delivery for GrandMet.

leaves me wondering why it is so keen on the more-fattening types of food outlet. The German chain is, I am told a cross between McDonald's and Pizza Hut. While Burger pactum King has to content itself with being Number 2 to the hamburger chain with the golden arches, Wienerwald has had more troubled times. Its difficulties started when it expanded into pizzas and then attempted to move into the US. 11s more traditional German fare failed to make an impact and the venture collapsed, forcing Wienerwald to file for bankruptcy in Germany six years ago. It was rescued but Jahn, who has always held a tight rein on the operation, has since been trying to sell. Now I gather he will retire at the end of the month.

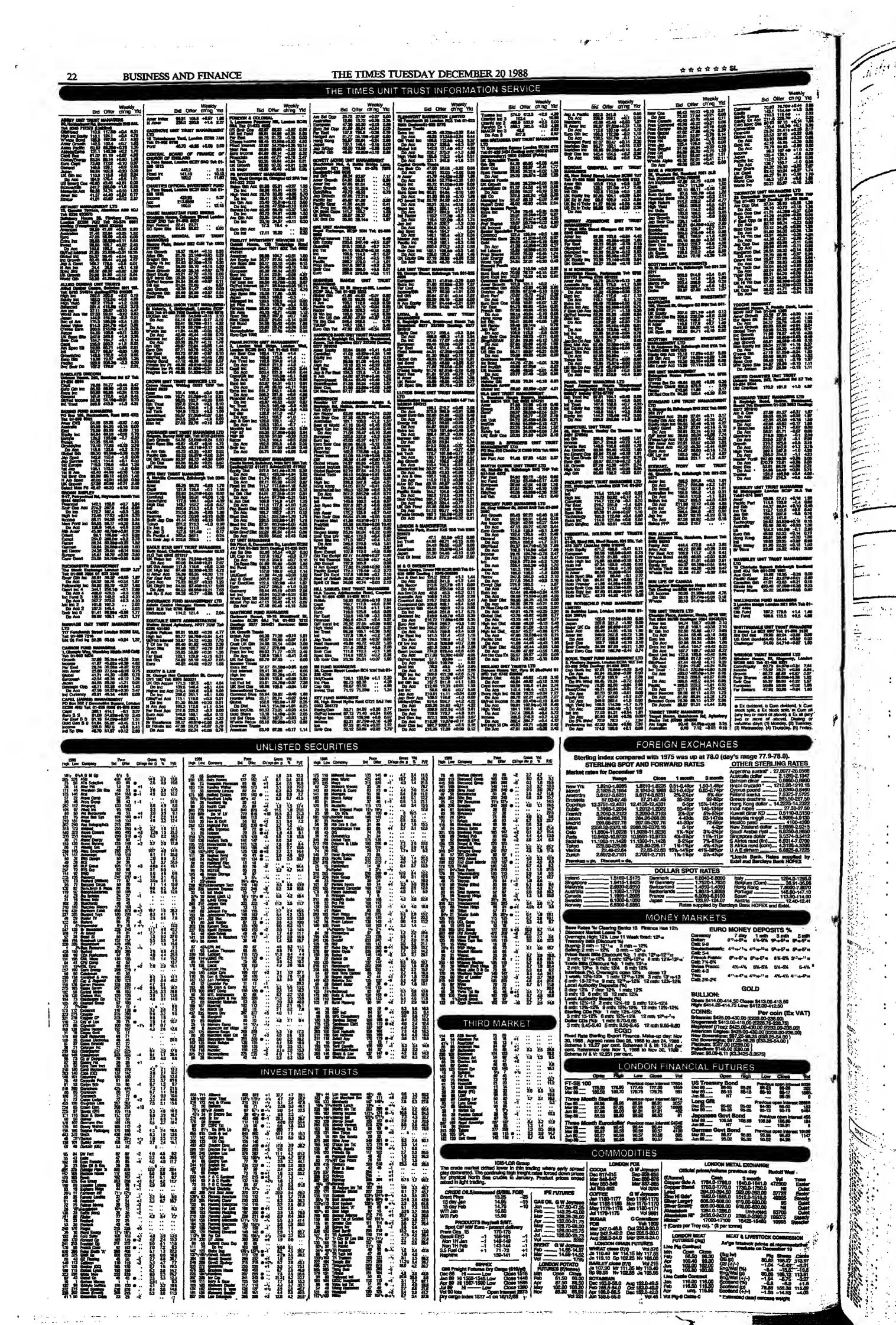
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B oth Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve this year fall on a Saturday. Many dancers wish to carry on dancing into the Sunday, particularly on January 1, so that they can see in the new

This immediately brings problems of Sunday observance. The Sunday Observance Act, 1780. s.l, provides that a person who keeps a house, room or other place which is opened for public entertainment or amusement, or for public debating on any subject whatsoever upon any part of the Lord's Day, and to which persons are admitted by payment for money or by tickets sold for money, commits an offence. By s.2 of the Act, the person holding himself out or acting as responsible is deemed to be the keeper.

The Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, contains a number of exceptions, including exceptions for licensed musical entertain-

Revellers who dance with the devil ments and for museums, picture galleries, zoos, botanical gardens and aquaria. Other Acts contain

exemptions for cinemas and certain theatrical productions. Where there is authority under a special hours certificate for what is commonly described as nightclub entertainment, this may continue until 2am (3am in London) even though it runs into a Sunday morning. It is clear, however, that apart from this there is no general exemption for public dancing. There are likely to be a number of transgressions this year, as in the past, but no one seems to take the matter very seriously and there

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sons proposing to hold a public dance for payment running into the Sunday morning in contra-vention of the Act seek special permission from the magistrates' courts for the supply of intoxicating liquor as an adjunct and are surprised when the magistrates are understandably reluctant to be seen to give the seal of authority to functions which on the face of it are in breach of the law. Others fear that any illegality may bring the loss of their public entertainment licence from the local

There is a case for reform of Sunday observance laws, J.N. Spencer writes

The term "payment" is widely defined in s.2 of the Act to cover excessive charges for drinks and refreshments where no fee for admission is demanded. It is, however, clear from the wording of the Act that there is no contravention where the dance is not public or where no admission charge is levied. Whether a dance is "public" will be a question of fact. A club may still be open to the public if the club arrangement

Magistrates are sometimes castigated as kill-joys because of

the attitude taken by magistrates' courts to late drinking hours on Sannday nights. It is seen as a restriction on personal freedom. Most magistrates' courts adopt a general policy of not allowing special orders of exemption from the permitted hours and occa-. sional licences to run later than 11.30pm or 11.45pm on Saturdays unless there are special circum-

Where authority is specifically sought for the supply of intoxicat-ing liquor for a public dance running into the Sunday morning

Observance Acts, magistrates are in a different position. It is a matter not of discretion but of law. They cannot be seen to be giving even sideways support to a function which is plainly illegal.
On the last occasion but one

when New Year's Eve fell on a Saturday, appropriate questions were raised in Parliament. Mr Kilroy Silk complained on behalf of a mayor in his Ormskirk constituency who wanted to hold a charity ball. He described the law as an ass and said that it would hit those holding charity functions in particular.

After the recent difficulties regarding the Sunday trading laws and the failure of the Bill designed and the failure of the Bill designed to reform the Shops Act, 1950, the Government may well be reluctant to venture further into the potential minefield of Sunday reform in this respect. There is not even the excuse of uncertainty, because the law is reasonably clear. There is a long history against dancing on the Sabbath, with folklore fears that those who jig to the devil will be struck dumb like the stone dancers of Stanton

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It does seem slightly unfair, however, that a seedy nightclub may stay open but the local village hall must close even though it has a public entertainment licence. There is a case for mild reform.

No one is likely to complain this year if Auld Long Syne continues while the clock strikes midnight, but to comply with the law other revellers must join Cinderella in a flight from public balls and dances before the last stroke sounds.

• J.N. Spencer is clerk to the West Dorset Justices.

Law Report December 20 1988 House of Lords

Differential in nursery nurse's pay due to material factor other than sex council at the industrial

A female nursery nurse was not A female nursery nurse was not entitled to parity of pay with men employed by the same employer at different establishments since, although common terms and conditions were observed within the meaning of section 1(6) of the Equal Pay Act 1970, as amended, the differential in the section of the commencial in the section of the co

tial in pay was due to a material factor other than sex, namely the difference in working hours and holiday entitlement.

The House of Lords so held when dismissing an appeal by the applicant employee, Mrs Marion Leverton, from the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Marion Leverton) May, Lord Justice Balcombe and Lord Justice Stocker) (The and Lord Justice Stocked (The Times March 29, 1988) who had dismissed her appeal from a decision of the Employment Appeal Tribunal (Mr Justice French, Mr J. A. Powell and Mr C. H. Wickel (The Time Inner I G. H. Wright) (The Times June 16, 1986; [1987] 1 WLR 65) which had dismissed her appeal from an industrial tribunal's decision to dismiss her applica-tion under section 1(2)(e) of the Equal Pay Act 1970, as amended by section 8 of the Sex Discrimination Act 1975 and regulation 2 of the Equal Pay (Amendment) Regulations (SI 1983 No 1794) for the inclusion of an equality clause in her contract of employment with Clwyd County Council

Section 1 of the 1970 Act, as

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Council

Before Lord Bridge of Harwich,
Lord Templeman, Lord Griffiths, 'Lord Ackner and Lord
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A female nursery nurse was not

are unlikely to be many prosecu-

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The problems arise where per-

the same employment — (i) if (apart from the equality clause) any term of the the woman's any term of the the woman's contract is . . less favourable to the woman than a term of a similar kind in the contract under which the man is employed, that term of the woman's contract shall be treated as an explicit of the less than the treated as the state of the less than the treated as the state of the less than the treated as the state of the less than the treated as the state of the less than the state of t so modified as not to be less

"(3) An equality clause shall not operate in relation to a variation between the woman's contract and the man's contract if the employer proves that the variation is genuinely due to a material factor which is not the difference of sex...

(6) ... men shall be treated

as in the same employment with a woman if they are men employed by her employer . . . at the same establishment or at establishment in Great Britain which include that one and at which common terms and conditions of employment are ob-served either generally or for employees of the relevant classes."

Mr Anthony Lester, QC and Mr David Pannick for the applicant; Mr Giles Wingate-Saul, QC and Mr Alistair Web-

LORD BRIDGE said that the applicant, a qualified nursery nurse employed by the council at an infant's school at Clwyd amended, provides "(2) An applied to an industrial tribunal equality clause is a provision claiming under section 1(2)(c) of

the 1970 Act, as amended, that she was employed on work of equal value to that of male employees of the council. Eleven male comparators were mous with school bolidays.

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By virtue of the equality clause deemed to be included in her contract of employment under section I(1) of the 1970 Act, the applicant, if she could establish that she was employed on work of equal value to that of a "man in the same employment" would prima facie be entitled under section I(2)(e) to have the terms of her contract treated as modified as provided by the section to bring them into line with the terms of her contract.

The council resisted the claim on the grounds, inter alia, (i) that none of the comparators was a "man in the same employment" with the applicant and (ii) that the variation between the applicant's contract and those of the comparators was "genuinely due to a material factor which is not the difference of sex", Those two grounds gave rise to two issues which depended on section 1(6) and (3) respectively.

None of the comparators worked at the same establishment as the applicant. The applicant and all the comparators ators however, were employed on terms and conditions derived from the same collective agreement known as the "purple book", being a scheme agreed by the National Joint Council for Local Authorities Admin-istrative, Professional, Techical or Clerical Services.

Under that agreement the

The comparators' basic working week was 37 hours (in one case 39 hours). Their annual holiday entitlement was 20 days plus eight statutory and three local holidays with increments after five years service.

The effect of those differences was that each of the comparators worked many more hours in the year to earn his annual salary than the applicant worked to earn hers.

The majority of the industrial tribunal held both that the applicant was not "in the same employment" with the comparators, as that phrase was defined by section 1(6), and that the council had established the "material factor defence" under section 1(3) in that the variation between the applicant's contract and the comparators' contracts was genuinely due to a material factor which was not the difference in sex, namely, the difference in working hours and length of holidays being a material difference between her case and theirs. They accordingly dismissed the application.
The appeal tribunal affirmed the decision on the ground that

the applicant and the comparators were not in the same employment. They held, however, that the industrial tribunal had erred in law in upholding the material factor defence on the eround that there was no evidence capable of supporting a finding that the variation between the applicant's contract

The Court of Appeal affirmed by a majority (Lord Justice May

dissenting) the conclusion of both tribunals that the applicant and the comparators were not in the same employment and held by a majority (Lord Justice Balcombe dissenting) that there was evidence to support the finding by the majority of the industrial tribunal that the council had established the material factor defence.

On the question of whether the applicant was in the same employment as the comparators working at different establishmoots, the view which prevailed with the majority of the indus-trial tribunal, the appeal tri-bunal and the Court of Appeal was that the comparison called for hy section 1(6) was between the terms and conditions of the applicant's employment on the one hand and the comparators on the other and that it was only if that comparison showed their terms and conditions of employ-ment to be "broadly similar" that the test applied by the phrase "common terms and conditions of employment" in section 1(6) was satisfied.

The majority of the industrial tribunal, affirmed by the appeal tribunal and the majority of the Court of Appeal held that the difference in working hours and holidays was a radical difference in the "core terms" of the respective contracts of employment which prevented the comparison from satisfying the statutory test. The contrary view expressed

by the dissenting member of the industrial tribunal and by Lord applicant's salary was on scale 1. and the comparators' was genuindustrial tribunal and by Lord The comparators were on scales incly due to a material dif- Justice May in the Court of

Appeal was that the comparison called for was much broader, namely, a comparison between the terms and conditions of employment observed at two or more establishments, embracing both the establishment at which both the establishment at which the woman was employed and the establishment at which the men were employed, and applicable either generally, that is, to all the employees at the relevant establishments, or to a particular class or classes of employees to which both the woman and the men belonged. His Lordship had no hesitation in preferring the minority to the majority view expressed in the courts below. The language of the subsection was clear and unambiguous.

and unambiguous.

It posed the question whether the terms and conditions of employment "observed" at two more establishments (at which the relevant woman and the relevant man were employed) were "common" being terms and conditions of employment observed "either generally or for employees of the relevant

The concept of common terms and conditions of employment observed generally at dif-ferent establishments cessarily contemplated terms and conditions applicable to a wide range of employees whose terms would vary greatly inter se. On the construction of the subsection adopted by the majority below the phrase "observed either generally or for employees of the relevant classes" was given no content.

But if, contrary to his Lordship's view, there was any such ambiguity in the language of section 1(6) as to permit the

and man employed by the same employer in different establish-ments were in the same employment to depend on a direct comparison establishing a "broad similarity" between the woman's terms and conditions of employment and those of her claimed comparators, be would reject such a construction on the ground that it frustrated rather than served the manifest purthen served the manifest pur-pose of the legislation.

So long as the industrial tribunal directed themselves correctly in law to make the appropriate broad comparison. it would always be a question of fact for them in any particular case, to decide whether as between two different establishments, "common terms and

condition of employment are observed either generally or for employees of the relevant classes". In the present case the majority of the industrial tri-bunal had misdirected them-

selves in law.
His Lordship would examine m more detail the facts on which the material factor defence de-pended. Between the date of the application to the industrial tribunal and the hearing a difference between the staff side and the employers' side of the National Joint Council had been

referred to arbitration.

That resulted in an award which enhanced the pay of nursery nurses relative to other grades. The report of the Central Arbitration Committee (CAC) showed that the relative in hours worked and holidays, was fully examined in the course of the arbitration and the report.

Solicitors: Pattinson & Riewer for Miss Nicola V. Brewer for Miss Nicola V.

tribunal.

The industrial tribual had concluded that they could not rely on the CAC report and

award per se as necessarily having eliminated any element of unintentional sex discrimination between the almost exclusively female nursery nurses and the male comparators.

the male comparators.

The way in which the majority of the industrial tribunal dealt with the council's argument based on the CAC report and award left his Lordship in no doubt that they had the appropriate criteria of reasonable necessity and objective justifiability clearly in mind when they addressed the question whether the difference in hours of work and holidays as hours of work and holidays as between the applicant and any comparator in receipt of the maximum salary on scale 4 established a material factor defence.

The industrial tribunal's finding that the differing contractua terms on hours and holidays were a genuine material factor which made it reasonably necessary for the council to impose pay differentials between the applicant and the relevant comparators was a finding of comparators was a finding of fact amply justified by the evidence as a whole but perhaps particularly by the comparison between the rates of pay and

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services in relation to cost.

These measures limited the

supply of telecommunications

It said that telecommunica-

tions services were growing

fast and predicted that data

transmission services would grow by 15 to 25 per cent a year once the market was

The Commission will not

put its order into effect

immediately. It will consult

with the member states on the

terms of the legislation before

giving the go-ahead in March.

The valoe of the telecom-

munications services market in the EEC is estimated at

about 64 billion European

currency units (£40 million).

services, it claimed.

deregulated.

TECHNOLOGY

Government attacked over the IT policy

ast week's report on information technology from a committee of MPs came up with a total of 52 recommenda-tions, roundly criticizing the Government's approach and what it describes as com-placency to developing British

As expected, the trade and industry select committee, chaired by the Conservative MP Kenneth Warren, has not recommended that throwing government money at IT is the easiest solution to the UK's increasing trade deficit in information technology and electronics, that last year reached over £2 billion.

One particular bone of contention by the computer industry has been in the allocation of government contracts and it is likely to be pleased with the report's recommendation that the DTI should take further steps to help computer services companies grow through participation in major government projects (see below).

Some are still sceptical though, pointing to the large number of reports on the topic that have appeared over the past few years that have resulted in little action by the

government Referring to two recent reports on the software industry, the committee concludes that "both point to the imaginative use by government of public procurement as a means of developing the software and services industry. What is lacking is any

Will 1992 be a re-run of 1066?

Britain's success in European

high-tech will be credible only

if the industry has the firm.

This still accounts for al-

most 40 per cent of UK

spending and the Government

still takes from the British

information technology in-dustry more in taxation than it

returns in purchases, and more

than 10 times as much as it

returns in other support, whether for research or for

The brief for the Trade and

Industry Committee's new re-

of "the expenditure and policy

of the Department of Trade

and Industry on information

technology."

Much of the industry evi-

dence to that committee has

ment procurement policy, or

It is clear that the British

port on IT was an examin

- the public sector.



clear sign that the Government accepts this conclusion from the reports it has

With this in mind, the committee recommends that individual government departments should have the freedom to deal directly with information technology supp-

It is also critical of the lack of use of IT by the Govern-ment and calls for a unit within the DTI specifically to promote its use and recommends the restoration of the post of IT minister

There is a modest increase in funding suggested for projects between small firms academic institutions, where the report recommends maximum funding should be increased to 75 per cent from the current 50 per cent.

PERSPECTIVE

A Continental look

for high-technology

reply to the report. The committee has also

opposed The EEC decision last week to order member states to de-regulate by 1991 the telecommunications services industry is likely to meet national opposition. The decision was taken by the executive unilaterally earlier last week from the DTI under the founding treaty on the possibilities of installwhich allows the EEC to ing a "national grid" of fibre

impose legislation to stop optic cables that would propublic monopolies distorting vide all sorts of information competition. and entertainment services to A similar move earlier this homes and business. year to break national tele-The DTT's communications communications authorities steering group advises that there is no good reason for the monopolies in the consumer equipment market is being challenged in the European Court by France, supported by West Germany, Italy and Government to subsidize such an operation or change the restrictions on British Te-

lecom which prevent it providing its own entertainment services on such a network, which BT argues it must be able to do to recoup the massive investment re-

The select committee urges the Government to make a clear policy statement on a national communications network which, it says, is a valuable example of something that would be of mutual benefit to government, com-merce and industry.

On the shortage of skilled staff for the industry, the report describes the situation as deplorable, estimates the current shortage at 10 per cent and warns it will be "acutely aggravated by the demographic pattern."

The report recommends increasing the number of courses, such as those established by the IT Institute at Salford and the Cranfield Institute of Technology, which have been established by joint government and industry funding.

The DTI has two months to

that new IT policy, if any, be?

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IBM sale

Io a tacit admission that its \$1.5 billion thrust into the telecommunications industry has stalled, IBM said last week it would sell its Rolm manufacturing and development operations to Siemens of West Germany. The terms of the deal were oot disclosed. Rolm, which was founded

in California in 1969, is best known for its computerized switchboards for private

Analysts said that the announcement by IBM was its acknowledgement that the grand integration of computremains far in the future.



The City was the place to be seen for high-tech profes-sionals after the Government deregulated the securities market and dealers in shares swapped their places on the Stock Exchange floor for a seat in front of a terminal.

The top staff in the informa-tion technology industry sud-denly had it all their own way as international firms raced to snap them up in a bid to get the skills needed to develop their computerized dealing systems in time for Big Bang in October 1986.

Salaries soared and it was a sellers' market for technology staff as they accepted the rich pickings from financial in-stitutions, which one employment agent described as a "recruitment frenzy".

And it wasn't long before thed £100,000 salary barrier was broken as one City firm looked for the right systems manager to control its high investment in technology.

Staff left their permanent jobs and flocked to the City as contractor rates doubled because of the shortage of skilled staff, with some earning £1,500 a week.

"Lots of market-makers and big companies went in oo a Gung Ho basis and there was an unnatural boom from the data processing point of view. "There was so much money going, which was very tempting for those in permanent employment," said Warwick Bergen, managing director of Resources International, which specializes in computer placements in the City.

Earler this month, Morgan Grenfell made more than 400 staff redundant - 40 of them oo the computing side - and Reuters recently reduced its and cut 50 staff from its budget harder," said Mr Bersystem development department

Agencies believe there is ers and telecommunications little doubt this trend will people is down. It is now a continue and see some firms slower market and is akin to



cutting their expenditure on technology and staff in a bid to get profitable again. Contractors are often the

first to go, according to Mr "Many high-flyers had their wings clipped. Some of the

over-paid people might have been the first out as projects The Americans hit

the budget harder went under. Some went back to permanent work or went to

other City firms". Mr Bergen explained that different sectors of the finance industry reacted to the downturn in a similar way to how they acted in the boom times; those that hired a lot of staff laid off many while those that were cautious cootinued in the same way such as the Japanese, Swiss and English banks.

gen but the cautious firms are still hiring now. "The competition for

pre-Big Bang days before the hurly burly and recruitment is at a steady, reasonable pace. Firms are looking for quality and are oot being forced into taking second best as there is now less haste and drama".

Salaries haven't come down; in fact they have started to increase at the same rate as the rest of the industry. Previously they were going up 15-30 per cent, but it is now about 10 per cent.

This is reflected in the latest Computer Ecocomics salary survey, which says that salaries and bonus payments for system analysts and pro-grammers in City financial institutions are still around 25 per cent higher than else-

But the survey points out that the situation is changing as the rate of increases in the City has begun to fall behind other regions by a small

resignations in inner Londoo is less than outer Londoo and the UK as a whole, which could show that staff are beg-

of staff his firm is placing in the finance sector has reduced by up to 20 per cent, but no staff are out of work as there is a shortage of computing skills and so many are now working in non-financial sectors - a message repeated by other recruitment agencies which do a lot of business in the City.

He added that firms are reducing their reliance on contractors, which accounted for about 75 per cent of placements before; it is now more like 50 per cent, and going for permanent staff

The International Stock Exchange (ISE) which has been a heavy employer of IT staff in the past has placed a freeze on the number of staff it employs "We have also cut down quite significantly the number of contractors we use," said Rhiannon Chapman, director of personnel at the ISE.

There was always a tendency to have contractors to fill permanent posts but now we use only contractors on short-term projects. We are looking to make more use out of the people we have," she

One agency said that contractors used to be employed on average for two years in the

Freeze by ISE on its staff numbers

City but this is now down to nine mooths. Mrs Chapman said that the demand for staff is good, though there will be "a oet loss of jobs over the oext few

However, this has to be placed against the fact that there has been a large increase in the number of jobs in the City over the last few years.

Mrs Chapman believes that Interestingly, the oumber of staff may not be not such a bad thing for those that get reasonable severance pay as most have little trouble in finding another job quickly inning to hang on to their jobs. because of the shortages.

Why the scientists are growing square trees

By Nick Nuttall

large government software developments is a direct result of public sector procurement Admirers of the 19th-century mathematician and author The weakness of the UK Lewis Carroll can be excused for remaining unimpressed by the genetic engineering and biotechnology achievements of late 20th century science.

looking glass and seen white rabbits telling the time, eggs that talk and doormice attend-

But even the usually

unastounded must surely fee

a pulse beat over the research

of Robert Fails, an environ-

mental scientist and bio-en-

gineer working at the University of British Colom-

Appalled at the vast quanti-

ties of wood wasted when the

trees are sliced up into lumber

"it came to me that there had

to be a better way", says Mr

ing tea parties.

packaged software and com-puter-based learning indus-tries can similarly be largely nttributed to the lack of bulk purchasing opportunities in Box-shaped tomatoes for the public sector. easy packing, sheep that shed their fleeces and meteor pigs -The influence of the Government, as far and away the largest direct and indirect part porker, part human growth hormone gene — must appear pretty small beer when customer for the UK infor-mation technology industry, is far greater than the influence you have peered through the

of DTI as n spensering Whether that influence is used to encourage inward investment or to encourage indigenous industries, the consequences of the failure to recognize its importance are

far-reaching.

The chief executive of n leading American owned IT firm in Britain says the British are polite and welcoming, emphasizing open competition for government business and investment opportunities. whereas the French and Germans are often quite brutal, emphasizing the business available if an R & D plant is placed here, or the contracts which will cease if a manufacturing plant is not placed

His directors prefer to visit Britain, but the advanced manufacturing plants and development centres tend to go to France or Germany.
In his evidence to the select

committee, the chief executive of IBM emphasized the exense and delays inherent in UK Government procurement procedures. If IBM finds it expensive and combersome. ow do smaller fry manage?

Not surprisingly, many smaller UK high-tech com-panies do not even try to bid directly for central government business at all. The author is director of IT Strategy Services, a con-sultancy that specializes in technology and strategy

discarded trunk. What sparked the scientist to believe such dreams were possible was his earlier work on tree shape and wood formation in plants persistently battered by winds. Unusual structures form.

making wood faster and creating an area of acutely thick-The cells which control and

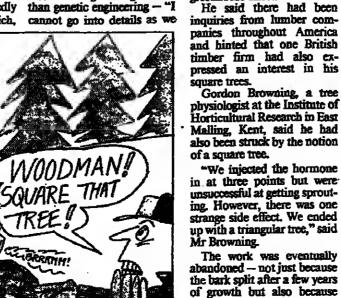
with one side of the trunk

produce wood affecting a trunk's ultimate geometry are

Up to 38 pc more carbon dioxide

called cambial cells, which reside just under the bark. "I thought if you could somehow turn the mechanism which controls growth on and off and even enhance it at certain points you might get that desired square effect,"

wood growth, the trees are says Mr Falls. consuming up to 38 per cent Harnessing techniques which he prefers to call biomore carbon dioxide - a constituent gas of the so-called resource engineering rather greenhouse effect. than genetic engineering - "I



its orders down the when sawed up at the mill, have a patent pending; all I would reduce the level of can say is that it is not gene telephone spheing" - he has already tooled a dozen trees. The four-year-old square

Western-bred cedars Black

Cottonwoods - a native pop-

lar - are growing on land close

to the university and, claims

Mr Falls, studies have shown

the wood quality is identical

"You get more cells at four

points round the stem not

bigger ones. We are simply

managing to accelerate wood formation at these sites. I

suppose the bottom line is that

we are altering the way the

genes of the cambial cells

express themselves at these

Mr Falls believes the

pioneering of square trees has

not only important resource

implications for the timber

industry but also the envir-

He claims that by bio-

engineering an acceleration in

"we couldn't see any eco-

nomic reason for having trian-

gular trees" explained the

four areas," he explained.

to their round cousins.

By Richard Sarson

General Motors plans in the next two years to persuade all its 2000 suppliers in seven European countries to pass invoices and orders down telephone lines rather than by

This will make General Motors the largest electronic data interchnnge (EDI) community in Europe and double the number of companies trading electronically in Europe. It is believed that its nearest rival, Ford, has fewer than 300 suppliers connected to Fordnet at the

The network will be managed for GM by its data processing subsidiary EDS and based round its computer centres in the UK, West Germany, Spain and The Nether-lands. Unlike Ford, which runs its own dedicated EDI network, GM will be using third-party networks to link its suppliers to the GM

It is not giving all its

GM wants plier, but choosing whoever it considers strongest in each country.

So far, a common international stanadard has yet to be put into practice so the network will have to cope with several different systems and translate the messages into a common format.

John Wishney, an EDS chief executive, said that with so many network operators and message standards, the GM network will be the first "open" EDI network in Europe, as well as being the largest and most mnltinational.

An average EDI transaction passes from computer to computer in about 13 seconds, compared to five minutes by telex and two days by letter, he argues. GM needs the extra speed, particularly as the number of parts supplied across Europe's borders rises in the run up to 1992.

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been concerned with governthe lack of it.

information technology industry wants trade, not sid, from the Government. However, the lack of a policy for information technology or even a belief in the need for one, also emerges all too clearly from the evidence given Unlike their Japanese

counterparts, it seems that senior DIT officials did not accept that IT is a "meta-

technology" whose presperity is of fundamental importance



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to the rest of the economy. They appear to have believed that it was a passing political

Are the Japanese, for example, wrong and the British correct not to concentrate our

few industrially and commer-cially experienced officials on policy for any one industrial However, even if it is agreed

that we should have a policy, is there the basis of consensus for a credible and effective policy to be sustained over the ecessary period of time?
Given the inability of the

British to organize effective

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When Lyle became the biggest shot of all

It is almost 220 yards, every inch of it uphill, from the 18th tee at Augusta National to the bunkers which eat into the left side of the fairway. To Sandy Lyle it seemed like an Everest. He had watched, horrified, as his one-iron shot moved right to left, rather than fading as he had intended, and the ball

disappeared from sight.
"Oh, no," Lyle thought.
"It's in the sand." He was not wrong.

Lyle sprinted up the hill.

Earlier, he thought he had given away the Masters by taking five at the short 12th. His frustration increased as he failed to extract a birdie from either the long 13th or 15th holes. Yet he still arrived on the 18th tee with a famous victory within his grasp. heard no roar from the 18th green, so I knew that Mark Calcavecchia had not made a birdie," Lyle recalled, "I knew I needed a par to tie him."

Lyle reached the bunker. He sighed with relief. He had feared the ball would be too close to the steep face, so eliminating the possibility of going for the green. He was wrong. Dave Musgrove, Lyle's caddy, looked on.

Pause before the ball rolled back

"We were not saying too much," Lyle added. "But I knew, as soon as I saw the ball, that all was okay. It was on a launching pad, so to speak, so I couldn't bury it in the face. The one thing I didn't want to do was hit the ball heavy. I did not want to put it in the bunkers in front of the green. I knew I could not work from

Lyle asked Musgrove for his seven-iron. "As soon as I struck it I knew it would be close," he said. "I got the perfect, clean hit and I had visions of the ball finishing within four feet. The last place I thought it would pitch was

In fact, the ball landed approximately 28 feet above the hole where, for one mo-ment, it looked like staying until, as if by command, it began to gently roll back towards the cup. "It was gravity, not spin, that brought

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it back," Lyle said. "Either that, or everybody at the back of the green blowing with all

Lyle took his putter. The ball had come to rest nine feet from the hole. "I was still thinking four," Lyle said. "I could not think about a birdie. "It was still a nasty putt. Not that fast, but one I had to get on line. I thought it might go a little to the right, I was pins and needles at the time. I just wanted to get the putt on its way, I knew when I hit the ball that it had a chance of going in. When it did, there was about two seconds I simply could not believe what

Lyle had, of course, become the first British golfer to win

mense skill at The Country Club, Brookline, to tie Nick Faldo. Strange won the play-off over I8 holes the following day, and fortune also swung cruelly against Faldo in the Open Championship and the US PGA Championship.

Naturally, the summer did not entirely belong to the professionals. Diane Bailey had captained Great Britain and Ireland to a glorious victory in the Curtis Cup in Kansas in 1986, and she did so again at Royal St. George's.

McEvoy's record unsurpassable

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B King (US)
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J Dickinson (IS)

the Masters. He celebrated

with a jig of joy on the green to the delight of the spectators. "I

was sweet, but I was back in

the club house for 20 minutes

before I knew I was home and dry. At Augusta, it all hap-

pened on the last green with

It was unquestionably the

shot of the year and, perhaps, the shot of the decade. The

other three major cham-pionships fell to Curtis

Strange (US Open), Severiano

Ballesteros (Open Champ-ionship) and Jeff Sluman (US

PGA Championship), but not one was won as dramatically

It was a memorable Great Britain and Ireland in the Eisenhower Trophy, which is the world amateur team championship. Peter McEvoy had earlier in the year passed, in the Home Internationals, the record number of points accumulated by an England player. The previous owner of that honour was

Michael Bonallack.

McEvoy won outright the individual trophy in the Eisenhower and, along with McGimpsey, Jim Garth McGimpsey, Jim Milligan and Eoughan O'Connell, took the team honours.

Russell Claydon won the English Amateur at Royal Birkdale, but he is unlikely to achieve in the amateur game anything to surpass McEvoy. That is because the pro-fessional game, with its sack-fuls of dollars, francs, marks, pesetas, pounds and yen, is too much of a lure to resist.

had never felt like that in my life," he said. "Winning the Open Championship in 1985 Christian Hardin, the first Swedish player to win the British Amateur champ-ionship, and Christian Cevaer, who carried to France for the first time the British Youths' title, underlined the growing strength of players on

> Yet no one did so more conclusively than Marie-Laure de Lorenzi de Taya, who became the first Frenchwoman to win the Woolmark Order of Merit on the Wom-

SPORTS MEDICINE

Strange, of course, executed den, did wonderfully well to a recovery shot from the follow in the footsteps of hunker at the 18th with im-US Open, but closer to home the erudite De Taya, the mother of a four-year-old daughter, Laura, won seven times. Corrine Dibnah, of Australia, escaped De Taya's clutches to win the Weetabix British Open at Lindrick.
It was a less than satisfac-

tory season for another Australian. Greg Norman sustained a wrist injury, his fortunes waned and Severiano Ballesteros, leader of the Volvo Order of Merit, regained the No. 1 place in the

Sony world rankings.

In Europe, Bernhard
Langer, afflicted once more by the putting vips, retreated in the Order of Merit, as did Sam Torrance. But Des Smyth and Ronan Rafferty, who with Eamonn Darcy won for Ireland the Dunhill Cup, enjoyed.

meritorious years.
Peter Baker and Barry Lane, who won the Benson and dges International and the Bell's Scottish Open respec-tively, made an impact, Roger Chapman continued to im-prove and Mark James enoyed his best season.

Changing line-up for Ryder Cup

There will be new faces in both the European and United States teams when the Ryder Cup, sponsored by Johnnie Walker, takes place at The Rock Belfry next year. Chip Beck, Joey Sindelar and Ken Green who recently won in Japan, where Jumbo Ozaki recorded six wins during the year and earned in excess of \$1 million (about £550,000), are the most likely candidates for the

Even so, Strange is without donbt the No. 1 player in the United States, and he led the money list with a record of \$1,147,644.

As for the player of the year.

give that to Ballesteros, a winner in seven countries, by s short head from Lyle. The Spaniard produced golf of the highest calibre to parry Nick Price's thrust in the Open at Royal Lytham and St. Annes en's Professional Golfers in July. But who will ever forget the shot with which Liselotte Neumann, of Swe-



No. 1 woman: Marie-Laure de Lorenzi de Taya, of France, dominated the European tour

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

Giants are denied a place

The New York Giants, who lost will enter the play-offs having to the New York Jets 27-21 on Sunday, failed to advance to the National Football League play-offs when the Los Angeles Rams surprised the San Francisco 49ers 38-16 to reach the playoffs as a wild-card entry. The Philadelphia Eagles won the NFC East division with a 23-7 win against the Dallas Cowboys. The Houston Oilers lost to the Cleveland Browns 28-23 and will return to Cleveland in the AFC wild-card game on Sat-urday. The winner of the Cleve-

land-Houston game will meet the Buffalo Bills in an AFC semi-final. Buffalo could have guarinteed themselves the home advantage throughout the play-offs with a win over the la-diamapolis Colts, but they sustained their first defeat within their division as ladianapolis won 14-10. Buffalo

BOWLS

Prize fund reaches a new high

By Gordon Allan The total prize fund for the Embassy world singles and pairs championships, to be held at the Preston Guild Hall from March 1 to 12 next year, has reached six figures, the first tournament in the sport at which this has happened. The singles event has been allocated £75,000 and the pairs £32,000.

The World Indoor Bowls Council and Imperial Tobacco have agreed to hold the championships until 1990 at least, at a cost of £600,000, of which £224,000 will make up the prize purses and the rest go towards developing the game as

Hugh Duff of Auchinleck, Ayrshire, who won the singles at Alexandra Palace last season. has been drawn against Clifford Craig of Belfast in the opening match. In the pairs, Ian Schuback and Jim Yates of Australia, the winners at Bournemouth a year ago, play Roy Cutts and Wynne Richards of England.

The pairs final is on March !! and the singles final on March 12. The winners will receive £8,000 and £18,000 respectively.

SINGLES DRAW: H Duff (See) v C Craig (Ire); J Rechall (Eng) v P Belissa (N° S Raas (Wall) v B Kingdon (Mal); H Lats (Eng) v I Schuback (Aus); W Wood (Sce) v J Yalas (Aus); J Watson (Soo) v W Kidd (Aus); W Richards (Eng) v G Prischou (Chises); O Cortill (Ire) v M Kent (Wal); O Bryant (Eng) v I Bottas (NZ); R Corse (Sco) v R Brassey (NZ); N Burrows (Eng) v M McMahon (HK); J Baker (Ire) v B Morley (Eng); J Muir (Sco) v A McMullan (Ire); J Price (Wal) v G Beare (Zimb); C Sommerville (Sco) v G Smith (Eng); A Allcock (Eng) v D Dafton (Aus).

PARTS DRAW: I Schuback and J Yeites (Aus) v R Cuts and W Richards (Eng): G Smyth and B Hainne (Eng) v R Hughes and W Jones (Wal): S Rees and J Price (Wal) v G Bennett and K Mine (Sco); R Brassey and P Belits; (W2) v O Dabon and W (Odd (Aus): G Smith and A Thomson (Eng) v P Collins and E Collins (Wel): J Baker and D Cockill (Ing) v I Botton (N2) and M McMehon (HK): J Morr and A Blair (Sco) v G Bears (2lmb) and G Pitschou (Ch Isles); A Alcock and O Bright (Eng) v W Moors and R Nichol (Ire).

A way for GPs to By Robert Kirley lost three of their last four

games. The Cincinnati Bengals, 20-17 overtime winners against the Washington Redskins on Saturday, have the home edge over Buffalo in the AFC. The Seattle Seahawks won the AFC West with a 43-37 win over the Los Angeles Raiders. The Scahawks, who carned their first division title in 12 seasons, will play the Bengals in the conference semi-finals. The Raiders could have finished first in the division with a victory.

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x — won division championship.
y — won wid-card play-off position.
PIXTURES: Wild-card play-off games: AFC: Satsuday: Claveland v Houseon. NFC: Monday: Minnesots v LA Firms.

POOLS FORECAST by Paul Newman

FOURTH DIVISION

Burnley v Wrexham
Camb U v Doncaster
Carlisle v Rochdale
Colchester v Paterbox

Colchester v Peterboi Colchester v Peterboi Colchester v Peterboi Colchester v Hereford Lancoln v Grimsby Hotherham v Crewe Scarborough v York Scarborough v York Torquay v Stockport

GH VAUXHALL CONFERENCE

Forecasts for the next two weeks are published today because of the Christmas/New Year holiday Kettering v Boston
 Macclesild v Altrinchem
 Maidstone v Sutton
 Northwich v Statford
 Runcom v Chorley
 Tellord v Kiddeminister
 Yeovil v Weymouth THEIR DIVISION 1 Brentford v Stackpool
X Bristol R v Wolves
1 Bury v Bristol C
X Gardiff v Swansea
1 Chester v Wigen
2 Chesterlid v Ruddenstid
1 Gillingham Fulham
X Mansted v Port Vale
X Notts Co v Sheriked U
1 Prestor v Botton
1 Reading v Aldershot
1 Southend v Nithampton

FIRST DIVISION 2 Chariton v Arsenal X Derby v Liverpool 1 Everton v Modestro 1 Norwich v West Ham (Playing Tuesday, but pools panel will adjudicate) a Sheff Wed v Newcastle X Sthampton v Coventry 1 Tottenham v Luton X Wimbledon v Milleral SECOND DIVISION

X Brighton v C Palace
1 Chelsea v Ipswich
1 Hull v Bradford
X Leeds v Blackbum
1 Leicester v Bournemb
2 Oldham v WBA
1 Stretwsbry v Barmingh
2 Stoles v Manchester C
1 Sunderland v Barmsley
1 Swindon v Pymouth
2 Wateall v Oxford
X Watord v Portsmouth

2 Aylesbury v Wycombe 1 Cheltsnhem v Newpor 2 Estilled v Bernet X Fisher v Welling TREBLE CHANCE (home teams): Derby:
Southampton, Wimbledon, Brighton,
Leeds, Watford, Bristol Rovers, Cardiff,
Mansfield, Burnley, Cambridge United,
Leyton Orient.
BEST DRAWS: Southampton, Wimbledon,
Cardiff, Mansfield, Leyton Orient,
AWAYS: Arsenal, WBA, Oxdord, Wycorthe Bernet Kristmoster.

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1 Bury v Aldershot

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v Port Vale (Friday); Reading v Bischpool (Friday); FIRST DIVISION
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5 Derby v Milwall
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1 Hull v Ipswich

1 Leeds v Plymouth

X Shrewbury v Bernsley

X Stoke v Oxford

X Swingen v Man C

2 Walsall v Bradford

1 Wattord v Bournentouth

Not on coupons: Oltham

Others

1 Burnley v Grimsby
1 Carisle v Stockport
X Dartington v Hereford
1 Exeter v York
X Leyton O v Wreshem
1 Rotherhem v Haiffax
1 Scarborough v Crewe
X Sounthorpe v Trannere
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(Friday); Colchester v
Hartiepod (Friday)

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Charton, Sheffield Wednesday, Winbledon, Leicester, Stoke, Sundersand, Swindon, Marstilled, Presson, Darriggon,
Leyton Orient, Scunthorpe.

REST DRAWS: Charison, Leicester,
Stoke, Sunderland, Swindon.

ANGEYS: Arsenal, Fulhern, Ferribotough,
Down; Charlson, Stoke, Sunderland,
Down; Charlson, Stoke, Sunderland.

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1 Celtic v Hearts

patients assembled in the wait-ing rooms of their doctors' surgeries on a typical Monday morning are there because of injuries incurred while playing sport. Yet until this week sports medicine had received no official recognition as a specialization in Britain. That has all changed with a new diploma in sports medicine, amounced by the Society of Apothecaries in London.

The inaugural examinations, which will be held next June, which will be held next June, will lead to the first open qualification in sports medicine for doctors in the United Kingdom. Available to registered medical practitioners involved in sport, the diploma is aimed at doctors undertaking sporting duties such as attachments to football clubs. duties such as football clubs.

Recognized courses are presently run on a one-year, full-time basis at the London Hospital and part-time by the the London Sports Medicine Institute (LSMI) and the British Association of Sport and Medicine (BASM) and cover not only the treatment of injuries but also areas such as nutrition, ethical and social aspects of sports medicine, environmental physiology and pharmacology.

The courses are London-

The courses are London-based but BASM has received a Sports Council grant in order to support Nancy Laurenson, an education officer whose brief is to organize residential courses throughout Britain in order to help doctors prepare for the

It is a move welcomed by a bost of high-profile sporting figures, including Sebastian Coe. "As a recipient of medical treatment for sports injuries, I know first hand what a trementary impact care can dous inspect proper care can have on the cureer of a sports-man or woman," he said. "I know British sport will reap the benefits for years to come." Coe's sentiments were echoed

by Joe Patton, of the Sports Council's sports development unit: "We feel that sports medi-cine in this country has been under-valued and this diploma is the first major step forward for a number of years."
Part of the problem has been n

popular perception of sports injuries as the self-inflicted aberrations of fit people. As Dr Dan Tunstall Pedoe, the chairman of BASM and the medical director of the LSMI, said: "If the Government wish to encourage people that exercise is good for them, they are wrong to ignore the slight negative side which involves people getting injured."
Dr Matt Kiln, a London GP,

Whatt Kiln, a London GP, who is studying part-time for the diploma, confirmed: "An arcrage of 5-10 per cent of all patients visiting their GPs do so because of sports injuries and in some areas this can rise to 20 or 30 per cent, particularly after the weekend." The front of this is, as Kiln said, "that in six years of medical training maybe five minutes are spent on sports injuries."

OVERSEAS FOOTBALL Maradona scores twice as

Napoli close on leaders By Keith Blackmore

Milan at the top of the Italian

first division on Sunday.

Careca's ninth goal of the scason, and Maradona's fifth and sixth, gave Napoli a 3-1 win against Bologna, while Interdrew with Juventus, thereby dropping their first home point of the season. Screna, a former Juventus

Screna, a former Juvenius player, scored for Inter; Altobelli, a former Inter player, provided the pass from which Galia equalized for Juvenius.

Two goals by the Dutchman, Van Basten, gave the champions, AC Milan, a point at Torino, who sacked their manager, Radice, last week, Muller, another Brazilian forward another Brazilian fo scored twice for Torino.

Paris Saint-Germain, who lost the leadership of the French first division to Anxerre last week, regained it on Saturday. A goal by the Argentinian forward, Calderon, gave them a win against Caen while Auxerre went down heavily to Cannes.

Monaco, who revived hopes
of retaining the championship
by beating PSG last week,

Goals by the Brazilian forward faultered again, drawing at Careca and Maradona brought home with Toulon.

The result puts them in fifth The result puts them in fifth place, nine points adrift as the championship goes into hibernation for two months. In a French cup match, five players were sent off and seven booked

as Raipertswiller beat Molinges.
Show and gale force wind forced the postponement of three first division games in Greece on Sunday but they folled to regreat the Hungarian failed to prevent the Hungarian midfield player, Lajos Detari, from having a rare good day with Olympiakos.

Olympiakos paid Eintracht Frankfurt £4.7 million for

Detari last summer, making him the third most expensive player in the world behind Gullit and Maradona, but since then little has gone right for him or his new club.

Olympiakos have suffered financial difficulties and Detari was missing from the team for months because of a knee injury suffered pre-season.

He put these troubles behind him on Sunday, scoring both goals as Olympiakos beat Diagonas 2-0 and moved into second place behind AEK Ath- Nicol in 1987. LEAGUE RESULTS AND LEADING POSITIONS

ens in the first division. The Turkish champion Galatasaray, who have been penalized already this season by UEFA for crowd trouble during

a European cup match, had further trouble on Saturday. Police arrested 60 people after incidents, which included the petrol bombing of a police car, after the match with Besiktas.

In Lisbon, 100,000 supporters saw Benfica beat Sporting 2-0. In the Portugese first division, Benfica lead Porto by four

points and Sporting by eight.

League matches in Spain were postponed because of the World Cup fixture with Northern Ireland tomorrow. West Germany, Austria and Switzerland have already begun their winter breaks.

Houghton award Ray Houghton, of Liverpool, has been named the 100 Pipers Anglo-Scot of the Year by a panel of leading Anglo-Scottish football journalists. Houghton is the third successive Liverpool player to win the award — the previous two winners being Alan Hansen in 1986 and Steve

ARGENTRIANE Ferro Carrill Cesta G, San Martin de Tucuman G (4-5 on penalises); Racing de Cordoba G, Instituto de Cordoba I; San Lorenzo 2, Nesetifa G (6 Boys G; Boza Juncor 2, Glinnasia y Esgrima 1; Platente G, Racing Cub G (6); Independente 5, Deportivo Armano I; Studente C (6); Independente 5, Deportivo Armano I; Studente C (6); Platente C (7); P Deporting Espeniol, 16, 35, BELGIAN: FC Liego 1, Kortrijk 1; Lierse 0, Sandard Liego 3: Antwerp 3: Cerde Bruges 0: Mecheleri 2: Genk 0: Anderiect 4, Molenbesk 1; Sant Truiden 0. Recing Mecheleri 2: Club Bruges 1, Seenschot 0, Landing positions 1, KV Mechelen, played 19, 32pts; 2, Anderleck, 19, 31; 3, FC Liege, 19, 27. PRAZILIAN SED Device 4, 2016

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SRAZELIAN: São Paulo 1, Goias 1 (3-4 on paralheis; Palmains 0, Fluminense 0 (3-1; Santo 0, Bostingo 0 (3-10); Guarani 2, Opinitheis 2 (4-5); Portuguesa 1, Bangu 0; Flumingo 2, Atinico Mineiro 0; Sport 1, Vicera 0, Atinico Paremieno 0; Sport 1, Vicera 0, Atinico Paremieno 0; Sport 1, Vicera 0, Contino 12/3; Cruzatio 2, Santa Cruz 0; Baha 2, America 1; Vasco 3, Cruzatio 2, Laeding positions: 1, Vasco, 5 (pts. 2, Internacional, 45; 3, Bahia 44.

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2, Ajax Amsterdam 5; BVV Den Bosch 4,

PORTUGUESE: Barrica 2, Sporting Lisbon 0; Porto 4, Estrela Amedora 0; Berra Mar 0, Nacional Madera 6; Braga 0; Charvas 0; Faér 2, Portanciorera 1; Vaseu 2, Guimarase 1; Leuces 1, Setubel 0; Farense 0, Peasifiel 0; Betenenuse 0, Boarlsta 3, Leeding positifyos: 1, Bentica, played 18, 30pts; 2, Porto, 18, 26; 3, Sporting Lisbon, 16, 22. contilioner 1, PSV Einchovers. 16, 25; 2. Ajou.
17, 24; Therins Einchodes, 17, 22
FRENCH: Marsellia 2, Spint Edecine 0; Lens 1,
Stresburg 3; Monaco 2, Touton 2: Namies 1,
Liais 1: Bordesaux 1: Sociaux 2; Lenar 1, Note
2; Casrr 0, Pairs Spint-Sermsin 1; Carries 3,
Auserro 0; Heitz 1, Toulouse 1; Mariar Racing
4, Monapellier 0, Lending positioner 1, Paris
Sant-German, played 24, Spint: 2, Auserra 2,
48; 3, Marzellie, 24, 43;
GRIESC Apolion 0, Lenass 0; Dona 1,
Parionaco 5; Ebrakos 0, Parsythmakos 0,
Levaticiakos 2, Kalarsaris 7, Organistos 2,
Disgorate 0, Leading positioner 1, AEX played
12, Topia; 2, PAOK. 12, 17; 3, Olympiakos 3,
17,
ITALIANE Ascoli 0, Rome 2, Cesona 0,
Asistenta 0; Corno 3, Florentina 0; Marchina 1,
Juventus 1; Lizzo 2, Pascara c, Napod 3,
Bologata 1; Piss 1, Verona 0; Sarapdone 3,
Lecce 0; Torino 2, AC Millian 2, Listidiag
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LEAGUE OF RELAND: Premier divisions
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Darry City 4, Cork City 2; Limardo's 3, Lending
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Watersford Unacd 0, Galway Unined 3, Lending
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TURIOSH: Konyaspor 1, Fenerbahoe
Galatassaray 1, Beaktas 4; Trabzonspor
Arkaragucu 0; Samyer 2, Adanespor 1;
demmipor 5, Estacelistopor 2, Samsunspor
Karayaka 2: Akey 3, Moknyaspor 0; Razsey
Leading positiona: 1, Fenerbahoe, played 1
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Progreco 1. Central Espanol 0; Huracan
Bucso 0, Liverpool 3. Besta vista 1, Wanders
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Huracan Bucso, 28; 5. Liverpool, 25; 6,
Wanderser, 24; 7. Necionel, 22.
YUGOSLAV: Rad 2. Sobada 2 (Rad won on
pans): Pade Star 0, Varder 0 (Verder won on
pans): Zeleznicar 4, Buducnost 1; Velez, 4,
Osiek 6, Spartak 1, Denemo 2, Radinaki, 6,
Hajduk Spirt 0 (Hajduk won on pens): Casik 2,
Sarayevo 0, Volyedona 3, Parizan 2, Piskuk 4,
Napredak 1. Leading positions: 1, Volycona,
played 17, Zepts: 2, Denamo, 17, 21; 3, Hajduk
Spirt, 17, 21.

ICE HOCKEY

Wasps finally come down to earth By Norman de Mesquita

rather than goals that made the Durham Wasps have been beaten at last. After a winning headlines with Nottingham Panthers and Streatham Red-skins combining for 140 min-utes on Saturday and then Redskins Whitley Warriors combining for 96 minutes on run of 25 Norwich Union cup and Heineken leagues games since the beginning of the season, they finally tasted de-feat, although it looked unlikely when they led Murrayfield Rac-Sunday. ers 3-0 in the 14th minute. The Racers, however, had a There were unsavoury scenes

marvellous second period, scor-

ing six times without reply, and they withstood n late Wasps rally to take over from them at

the top of the premier division.
On Sunday, Peterborough Pirates nearly spoilt Racers' week-

end, but the player/coach, Louis Hamen, broke away to score

with just 15 seconds remaining to give Racers a win by the odd

goal in 25. Eksewhere it was penakies

in the Solihull Barons/Fife Flyers game on Sunday with three ers game on Stinday with turee players ejected for leaving the bench to join a brawl. It was started by the Barons' goal-tender, Woodward, who was fortunate to stay in the game, the referee having missed his initial involvement. In the division one of the statement of the division of the statement of the statem resion one game, between Testord Tigers and Cleveland Bombers, 80 minutes were assessed, the total boosted by a third period incident.

Referees come in for a great deal of criticism, some of it perhaps justified, but one must question the influence of coaches. With enough self-discipline, the team has no need to become involved in such excesses and the sport is a lot

CCSSCS and the sport is a lot better for it.

RESULTS: Helicelen languar. Premier division: Ayr Brishs 14. Peterborough Prates 6; File Flyers 14. Tayside Tigars 5; Murrayfield Recent 10, Durham Wasps 8; Nottingham Penthers 19, Streathem Redsidne 7; Murrayfield Facces 13, Peterborough Prates 15; Colifull Barrans 4, File Flyers 13; Tayside Tigara 10, Durham Wasps 11; Whiteley Warriors 17, Streathem Redsidns 7, First elivation: Slough Jets 6, Medway Beers 12; Suncharad Chiefs 7, Richmond Flyers 11; Swindon Wildcass 11, Romford Raidwa 6; Tetlord Tigers 7, Claveline Sombers 6; Cardiff Devils 9, Swindon Wildcass 3; Decaide Dragons 8, Trafford Metroe 10; Gaspow Englet 14, Richtrond Flyers 7; Richmond Raidwa 7; Lee Valley Lions 3.

STUDENT SPORT Team size

may be cut down By Yuri Matischen

The Sports Council has provided £60,500 towards the British students team of up to 200 athletes and officials to belp with travelling to the world student games in Sao Paulo next vear.

The British Students Sports Federation (BSSF) is however disappointed not to have been given more as the cost of sending the team is likely to exceed £300,000.

In all probability the BSSF must now reduce the numbers

of competitors and may have to withdraw from one or more of the 11 sports. This presents a difficult task as the federation has had to proceed with selec-tion so that a worthwhile preparation programme can be completed. Although sponsorship arrangements have sup-plied some encouragement with STA Travel's continued involvement ensuring substan-tially reduced travel costs, it had been hoped to avoid this situa-

It would be important for the British students to compete in full and with reasonable success next year as Sheffield host the next games in 1991. For the men's and women's team sports (volleyball, basketball, soccer and water polo) Sao Paulo is vital training ground. But in all probability one or possibly two of these teams may find them-selves withdrawn should the federation's search for extra

As it stands each student selected for Sao Paulo will be asked to contribute £400 towards the cost of participation. This remains the single biggest source of income. Searching for such a large personal contribution places an added pressure on athletes and is scant reward for the results achieved in the last games held in 1987 in Yugo-slavia when Britain finished ninth in the medal placing with four golds, one silver and four



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Nice Dynasty can prove valuable addition to highly successful team

Few owners have enjoyed in March for 600,000 francs at greater success under National Hunt rules in recent years more than Mr and Mrs Christopher Heath. Two years ago they woo the Sun Alliance Novices' Hurdle on the second day of the National Hunt Festival at Cheltenham with The West Awake, and last season they won both that race and the Sun Alliance Chase with Rebel Song and The West Awake respectively.

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Buoyed up by those successes they now have 15 horses in training with Oliver Sherwood at Rhonehurst in Upper Lambourn, and already appear to have found another good prospect in Cruising Altitude, who gained so many admirers by the style of his victory first time out at Newbury on Hennessy Gold Cup day. A race at Kempton on Boxing Day is now pen-cilled in for him, provided the

ground is not too fast.
As for The West Awake, who is some people's idea of a potential winner of the Tote Gold Cup at Cheltenham, he is now about four weeks away from a run, having come into training late this autumn after spending the summer in the care of Henrietta Knight at

Lockinge. Meanwhile, hopes are high in the camp that Nice Dynasty can give the Heaths cause for further celebration at Folkestone today by winning the Stanford Novices' Hurdle on

He was acquired in France

the Clore dispersal sale, a price Services Chase is concerned, it justified by his good form in may be best left to the easy 1987 in Paris, where he won Fontwell winner Shanhally three times on the Flat. As Boy since Should Never Be those wins were achieved on was beaten nearly 25 lengths soft ground he will be perfectly by Positive at Warwick last at ease this afternoon on the week.

Kent track So, following encouraging Hywel Davies stand a sporting home work on the Lambourn chance of landing a double schooling ground, he is nomi- with Timers Double (1.30) nated as the day's best bet and and Wyford (3.0). napped accordingly.

Majestic Bruno io the No Silver Novices' Hurdle judged on how they performed last contests the Tanners Wines time out at Plumpton, I am Novices' Chase. As the winner more inclined to take a chance of seven races over hurdles on Krugerran Smuggler from last season, he has been hit Josh Gifford's in-form stable.



Richards extends triumphant run

Kelso yesterday.

Centre Attraction had a sustained tussle with Tactico over the last two fences of the Boswells Handicap Chase before claimer Liam O'Hara forced Centre Attraction in front on the flat for B 1½ length success."I think the owner will be going to Sedgefield on Boxing Day so I will probably run Centre Attraction there," Rich-

Highfrith, ridden by amateur Highfrith, ridden by amateur Phillip Doyle, easily beat Forallovus by 12 lengths in the Hoechst Panaeur EBF Mares Only Novices Only Qualifier, "For about six weeks my horses were not quite right but now they are firing on all cylinders," Richards added.

Newcastle on December 28. He was not, of course, implicated in any offences against the rules of racing.

Gordon Richards followed up his Ayr treble on Saturday with a 21%-1 double through Centre Attraction and Highfrith at Kelso yesterday.

The Castleford Chase at Wetherby on December 27."

John Goulding, the former jockey who gained his biggest success on 66-1 Astral Charmer in the 1982 Scottish Grand National, landed his first winner

as a trainer when Eillie On took
the Birgham Novices' Hurdle.
"I have nine horses this
season," Goulding said. "Now
Eillie On will run at Catterick on December 31. I rode my last winner as a jockey when Miss Appollo won at Wetherby in 1984 and I have been training for three seasons."

The American-based English-man Jonathan Smart partnered his first winner in Britain on Green Archer, trained by Lynda Ramsden, in the Cardrona Handicap Hurdle. It was the 38th winner of Smart's career. Mrs Josephine Ollivant asks Richards added.

The trainer also had news of two of his leading chasers.

"Randolph Place has had B special course of schooling to build up his confidence and he high opinion of the staff at Elsworth's stable and in the way in which he cared for his horses.

Kempton competition winner

Christopher Darwent is the winner of The Timer competition linked with the exciting Rank Holiday Festival of racing at Kempton Park next Monday (highlighted by the King George VI Rank Chase) and Tuesday (featuring the Top Rank Christmas Hurdle).

Mr Darwent, who lives at the Royal ing accommodation at the Royal Garden Hotel and a night at the theatre, in addition at the two days of action at the reaccourse. The answers to the questions were: 1, John Francoue, Robert Earnshaw, Graham Bradley; 2, Six (Gay Spartan, Silver Buck, twice, Wayward Lad three

mas raurdie).

Mr Darwest, who lives at
Fairholme Road, Davenham,
Northwich, Cheshire, wins a
five-star visit to London, includ-

The answers to the questions were: 1, John Francome, Robert Earnshaw, Graham Bradley; 2, Six (Gay Spartan, Silver Buck twice, Wayward Lad three times); 3, Dormant; 4, Willie Robinson; 5, Dawn Run; 6, Paddy Broderick.

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Niver, 20-1); 3, Kannel Stiddig (J) Cultim,
12-1); ALSO RAN: 6 Conclusion (f), 6 Jos's
Fancy (Sth), 9 Silent Valley, 14 Samien,
Candy Cone (8th), 20 King Kande (4th, 83
Hussneimon, 10 ran, 2, 3, 2, 4, 31, WA
Stephenson at Silehop Auckland, Tolec.
23.20; 21.90, 22.00, 21.60, DF: 224.70.

CSF: 234.10, Tricest: 232.05. (hurdes)
12.15 (2m hdie) 1, Eslite ON (P Herte, 15-1); 2, Border Speat (J Hersen, 33-1); 3, Mizadishan (D Dutton, 4-1 fav), ALSO RAN: 5 Rhu Na Haven (4th), 6 Bornero, 15-2 Pain Reader, 7 Border Lorn (5th), 16 Azusa, Fail Mist (5th), 25 Rad Desires, 33 Upwell, Verona Chief, Crazy Trade, 100 Gallowey Lad, Playlos, Soybean, Lisgayle, 16 ren. MR: Last Of The Files, 31, 1/2, 81, 41, 1/2, 1 Goulding at Cockermoum. Toke 116.00; 22-20, 27-70, 53, 10. OF (winner or second with any other horse): 0.500, CSP: 2355.68. CSP: £34.10, Tricest: £329.65.
2.18 (2m 6f ct) 1, SELON BRUG (8
Storey, 25-1); 2, Abdicator (7 Read, 16-1);
3, Tycoco Miseon (Mr A Crow, 50-1), ALSO
FAAl: 16-11 fav Shoon Wind (1), 9 Narana
(sm), 7-2 Norval (1), 33 Jerebinda gut, 7
ran, NR: Gurner Metc. 154, 3, dec. K
Oliver at Hawick. Tota: £23.40, £5.70,
£2.70, DF: £100.10, CSP: £287.15. CUITET TRUTSE; 13.00, CSF; 2385.58.

12.46 (2m. 190yd ch) 1. CENTRIE
ATTRACTION (I. O'Hera, 5-2; 2. Tactico
(I. Wyer, 11-10 lavy; 3, impage (J. Hansen,
4-1). ALSO RAN: 6 Tasar (20), 33 Ground
Mester (4th), 5 ren. 134, 134, 104, 41, G
Richards at Groystoto. Tose: 24.80; 21.80,
£1.70. DF: £2.80. CSF; 25.83. 92.70. DF: £100.10. CSF: £287.15.

2.45 (2m 8f nois) 1, GREEN ARCHER (J. Smart, 3-1 favi; 2. Dublous Jaine (J. Calegnan, 7-2k 3, Tepylos (J. J. Calegnan, 19 May Broon (Sin), 20 Poons Express, 25 Anthorpate, Mr Perfect, 33 Burni Walk, Star Of Kinloch (pu), Bantal Barazi, 16 ran, 134, 34, 31, 31, 151, 151, Mrs. J. Ramedon at 73/sisk. Toler £3.30; £1.80, £1.30, £2.10. DF: £5.90. CSF: £14.37, Thicast £56.94. After a stewards frouly the result etood. Placepot: not won (Pool of £1,273.59 cartied forward to Lucilion teday) 21.70. DF: 22.60. CSF: 25.63.

1.16 (2m 6f hole) 1. HIGMERITH (Mr P Doyle, 11-2; 2. Fossilioves (Mr D Mactaggert, 7-1); 3. Katy Karya (P Nives, 12-1); A.150 (AAN: 11-8 Far Rubydora, 5 Monteviot, 6 Regal Bes (4th), 9 Lady Barnett, 10 Broon's Reel (59), 20 Fair Echo, 25 Worthy Light, 33 Dorago (8th), 50 Grey Burny, 100 Brig's Gazales, Celtic Davin, Grypo Flesh (pul), 15 ren. 12, 4, 6, 12], 2l. G Richards at Greystoke. Toks

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However, the most interest-

As far as the Harvel Tipping

At Ludlow, Tim Forster and

With there being so little ing runner on the Shropshire between Tartan Trix and track is perhaps Tebitto, who will be jumping fences for the first time in public when he hard by the handicapper.

when finishing fourth in that race won by Cruising Altitude at Newbury.

So his trainer, Andy Turnell, is rightly pursuing another avenue in order to try to capitalize on his altitude. my opinion Tebitto should only have to jump well in order to beat Pucka Paddy and Swing To Steel.

ter Scudamore, the rider of Swing To Steel, has a better chance of increasing his tally by winning the Tanners Man-zanilla Novices' Hurdle on Sayfar's Lad, who turned his last race at Devon and Exeter into a procession.

In the Tanners Chardonay Handicap Hurdle it could pay take s chance with Afaristoen, who has run well in similar races at Windsor and Huntingdon already this season when behind Assultan and Fleet Commander.

Celtic Shot reappears at Kempton

The champion hurdler Celtic Shot, B disappointing fourth to Condor Pan in the Bula Hurdle earlier this month, is set to return in the Top Rank Christmas Hurdle at Kempton Park B week today.

"He was very sore after Chehenham," trainer Charlie Brooks said at Towester yes-terday, "but provided all is well with his work and a blood test on Thursday he will run at Kempton."

Peter Scudamore will ride, leaving Martin Pipe to look elsewhere for a Jockey for his well-backed Coral Welsh National hope Bonanza Boy. The races are run on the same day. Scudamore returned to action after twisting neck muscles in a fall from Strands Of Gold at Ascot on Saturday, Battalion, his mount in the first division of the Christmas Pudding Novices' Hurdle, was made 2-1 favourite but could do better than fourth

behind Island Set.
Island Set, bred by Steve Cauthen, was bought privately by trainer Kevin Morgan out of Luca Cumani's Newmarket stable for £12,000. "We will be looking at one of the Cheltentooking at one of the Chetten-barn novices' hurdles for him," Morgan said. "He has had some muscular problems but gets over them the fitter he is. We could send him out on the Flat again but the problem is that the handicapper gives him a lot to

luck on Eternal Credit, third to Sunbeam Talbot in the Save And Prosper Handicap Chase. Sunbeam Talbot did his best to throw the race away though, cocking his jaw and trying to run

Results from yesterday's two meetings

Michael Seely's selection: 12.30 Sayfar's Lad. Towcester The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 1.00 SHARP ORDER. Going: good

12.30 (2m hole) 1. ISLAND SET (H
Davies, 5-2): 2. Certic Barrie (R Durwoody,
9-4): 3. Kehamao (S Santh Ecches, 20-1).
ALSO RANE 2 for Battalion (48th, 10
Eastern Countest (6th), 16 Tabellina, 25 Half
Offed, 33 Northern Jinks (5th), Coymeron,
50 Film Consultant, High Laws, Liner,
Saintly Lad, Shemus O'Rapidy (put,
Tarranga, Tunecount (put, Town Rocket,
Morning Run (put, 18 ran. Nt. 5, 5t, 25t,
31 K Morgan at Melion Moviersy. Totac
24.80: 22.20, 21.50, 24.30, DF: 23.00. Going: good 12.30 TANNERS MANZANILLA NOVICES HURDLE (2680: 2m) (18 rumners)

1 2238-71 SAYFAR'S LAD 42 (D,G) (A Whiting) M Pipe 4-11-10 P Scuthemore © 39

2 296-713 GREENACRES LAD 17 (D,S) (M Taibot) B McMahon 5-11-4 J Shortt

6 0 SIBULOUS 25 (E Ramon) C Trietine 4-10-12 J Shortt

9 00-2 FRANKTON 29 (Mr P P Sievenon) M VWRINDAON 7-18-12 M Lynch 30

5 SP GARMEON PARK 52 (E Shiert Knepe) B Cambridge 6-10-12 M* J Cambridge 6

6 O-3 KOMAKU 15 (J Powis) C Juckson 6-16-12 M* J Cambridge 7

7 14 SALCOMEN HARBOOK 11 (G) (R McHardy) D Berons 4-16-12 P Nicholia 73

6 14 SEBEL HOUSE 36 (S) (C Murphy) D McCain 5-16-12 P Nicholia 73

16 31900 TALORED TO TASTE 13 (F,G) (Mrs A Evane) D Williams 6-16-12 R Darmoody 7

10 P THE SKIRKED 11 (S Davis) 9 Devis 6-16-12 M* P Hamer 7

10 O-500 THE TAN MAN 9 (J Forsman) A James 6-16-12 M* P Hamer 7

10 0-600 THE TAN MAN 9 (J Forsman) A James 6-16-12 M* N N Breokes 7

14 20340-5 JANE CRAD S (Art J Ducket) R Dickin 5-10-7 M Henshe (4) STRUM (18-18 Sayfar's Lad, 7-2 Greenacres Lad, 7-1 Jane Craig, 16-1 Frankton, 12-1 Sovereign Stream, The Tan Man, 16-1 Salcombe Herbour, Sebel House, 20-1 others.

2007 TANMERS SALIVIGINON CONVINTEDMAL JOCKEVS SET I MAG MILIED E 19730: 2m) 12.30 TANNERS MANZANILLA NOVICES HURDLE (2680: 2m) (18 runners) 1.9 (2m St 110yd ctt) 1, MWEENSH (3 Mernagh, 12-1; 2, Leaguenn (M Lynch, 8-1; 2, Verague (M Pitman, 4-1). ALSO RAN: 11-8 fav Five Corners 44th; 6 Wort Be Gone Long (f), 13-2 Cygnets Best (8th), 16 Pollen Best, 50 Just McK (pd, Robert Henry (pu), The Undergredusts (f), 10 ran. 10t, 3, 3, 6, 6, J. Webber at Mollington. Toke: £13.20; £2.10, £3.50, £1.40. DF; £75.00. CSP; £35.00.

1.30 (2m hdie) 1. SMEER ELATION (W McFartend, 8-11 feer, Standards's napt; 2. Stone Bladeses & Murphy, 4-1); 3, Passel Game & McKeever, 13-2; ALSO RAN-13-2 Supreme Naphaw (8th), 12 Mahilis, 20 Silent Hero (5th), 26 Indian Trick (pu), Mauster Cornedy (4th), Supreme Naphaw (8th), Nickal Alsoy, 9 ran. 1, 105, 105, 47, 7. 6 Batting at Pytiekt. Tota 22.00; 21.20, 22.30. DF: \$2.00. GSF; \$4.98. Peacets in 3, 0000ms. E120, E230, DF: 22.00, CSP: 24.96. Bought in 3,000gms.

2.0 Sm 190yd ch) 1, SUNDEAM TALBOT (Mr M Armytage, 4-1): 2, Olerct Approach (Peter Hobbs, 8-1 fm/s, 3. fmm; Credit (P Scudamore (100-30), ALSO RAN: 9-2 Lord Laurence, 9 Tout Angler (6th, 12 Classic Hero (5th), 16 Barrysville, My Major, 40 Meister (pd), 50 Mejor Tom (4th), 10 ran. Mt, 254, 8, 10, 54. Mrs S. Armytage at Maimethry, Toise E1.10; 22.00, 22.20, 21.10, DF: 25.90. CSP: 215.96. Tricest 240.65. CSF: 215.98. Tricast: 240.65.
2.30 (2m SOyd ch) 1, WATERLOO BOY
(R Durwoody, Evens tare, Bitchaet Seeky's
napt; 2, Nedellotte (Gee Armytage, 4-1); 3,
Betty's Gart (J Oeborns, 16-2). ALSO RANt:
10 Ioust (5th), Indian (6th), 14 Sumylyn, 16
Polo Boy (4th), 26 Greenwood Lad (ur), 6
ran, 81, 41, 52, 251, 11, D Nicholston at Storron-the-Wool, Tote: E1, 90; 21-30, 21-80,
21-50, DF: 25.10. CSF: 25.55. Tricast:
217.58, 217.58.
3.0 (2m 5f 110yd ch) 1, POLYTENSUS () White. 4-1); 2. Major Makeh (Mr M Armytage, 6-4 favt; 3. Wood Singer Prese Hobbs, 9-6. ALSD RAN: 7 Rakeigh Gazatie (Afri, 33 Bolthrin (pu), Brasquaser (7), Wayward Singer (pu), Shangcaser (7), Wayward Singer (pu), 10 ran. 7, rs. 101. N Henderson at Lambourt. Tota: 25.10; 21.30, E1.20, E1.80. DF: 25.30, GSF: 28.95. 15:30. CSF: 20.95.

2.30 (2m hole) 1. ARCTIC TEAL (M Richards, 2-1 tav); 2. Bags (Miss & Lawrance, 2-1; 3. Tracouldish (S Smith Eccles, 11-2). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Strong Gold, 6 No Way Beenra (Rit), 0 Listing Lake, 14 Normandy Gatelle, 20 Self All (4th), 25 Big Red, 38 Barrotrasinar (pu), Cockney Ganeral (pu), High Aloft (Sm), Lestyger Lad, Road To Power, Rodisson, Voltas, Lady Law, Remen's Song, 16 ran. 234, 31, 214, 11, 20. O Sharwood at Upper Langbourn. Tota: 23-40; 21-50, 22-10, 52-20. DF: 213-40. CSF: 219-30.

Piacapol: £17.80.

Sherwood confident

Simon Sherwood yesterday deciared himself "95 per cent certain" to be fit to ride Desert orchid in the King George VI Rank Chase at Kempton Park on Booting Day.

muscles working property again.
"Really I'm almost ready to sit on a horse now, but I want to give myself that extra bit of time to make sure. The plan is to ride out on Thursday, and then have

on Boxing Day.

Sherwood ruptured stomach muscles in a fall at Huntingdon some two weeks ago, and lost around four pluts of blood from the injury.

"Two been having plenty of plysiotherapy and heat treatment," he said, "and it is now a case of gradually working to fitness. I'm doing plenty of swimming and walking, basically exercises to get the to make sure. The plan is to ride out on Thursday, and then have Oliver set up some schooling for me at the weekend."

It has been an unhappy time for injuries for Sherwood, who was off for a week after being hicked in a fall from Patrico at Wincanton late hast month.

Champion jockey Peter Scammore will be offered the ride on Desert Orchid, trained by David Elsworth, should Sherwood fail to recover in time.

12,45 Kruggeran Smuggler. 1.15 Shanbelly Boy. 1.45 Flaming Pearl.

113143 GOOD TIMES 13 (SF,F,Q,S) (Mrs II Robinson) B Hall 12-0...

Going: good (chase course); good to soft (hurdles)

12.45 NO SILVER NOVICES HURDLE (2680: 2m 6f) (16 runners)

AS NO SELVER NOVINCES RUREDLE (2000; 2nd 67) (16 rurms:
838-814 ROSTREAMER 98 (D.Q) (Miss D Forsyth) C Bravery 5-11-12.
949-1 TARITAN TROX 27 (F) (Mrs E Boscher) Mrs J Pirman 8-11-12.
95 DANIGAN SHOON 116 (P Boggis) D Gandollo 8-11-4.
128-83 KITTINGER 18 (D.Q.S) (J Lamestoen) A Turmst 7-11-4.
229-009- KINDOR ORI 228 (Miss E Sneyd) Miss E Sneyd 9-11-4.
44 KINLGGERAM SHUDGLER 34 (T Koogh) J GRIDOR 8-11-4.
94 KINLGGERAM SHUDGLER 34 (T Koogh) J GRIDOR 8-11-4.
17 ALES MATE 7 (S M Demolition Lid) W Kemp 8-11-4.
17 ALES ARIA (Mrs E Heath) Mrs E Heath 6-11-4.
18 THE BRICHMUS 22 (Winderbourne Construin & L. Corbett 7-11-4.

METTHIC: 9-4 Terten Tits, 7-2 Kruggeran Smuggler, 4-1 Mejestic Bruno, 6-1 Ro 14-1 Air Broker, 18-1 Others.

1.15 HARVEL TIPPING SERVICES CHASE (£1,696: 2m 4f) (16 runners)

FORM POSTREAMER put up as improved performance to beat Team Leader 201 in a Wincardon novice burdle (2m 6t, good) in Colober, Was not dispraced when 51 4th to Proplus at Windsor (2m 6t, good to firm) on lettest start.

TARTAN TRIX best MAJESTIC BRUND (12b better of) 2½ on seasonal bow at Plumpton (2m 4f, good to firm). Has acope and can confirm placings with

FORM SNON BELLY drops back in distance after 81 3rd to Nick The Brief at Lingfield (3m, good) last time. Previously found useful Bigsen 61 too strong at Sandown (3m 118yd, good). Has definite claims here.

12.30 Sayfar's Lad.

1.00 Sharp Order,

1.30 Timurs Double.

good), Has definite claims here.

21KO never got in a blow when 15%! 5th to Statom
at Cheltenham (2m 4f, good) on lettest start. Another
facing easter opposition today,
SHO(LLD NEVER BE, 29 4th of 10 to Positive on
Warwick chasing debut (2m, good to soft), may

Selection: RON BILLY

1 OTHERS. 1987: WILLIAM ANTHONY 6-11-3 A Adems (4-1) N Gagaige 16 ran

1.15 HARVEL TIPPING SERVICES CHASE (£1,696: 2m 4f) (16 runners)

1 848510 ARTIC CHIEF 17 (F) (R Hawthorn) T Jones 7-11-8 Bde Hean 60
2 2/122F LIMAVADY 15 (Mrs E Heath) Mrs E Heath 8-11-8 NON-RURNER —
6 22003-1 8HAMBALLY BOY 14 (DLQ.5) (N Stewart) D Murray-Smith 7-11-8 J Frost et 6 22003-1 8HAMBALLY BOY 14 (DLQ.5) (N Stewart) D Murray-Smith 7-11-8 J Frost et 6 22003-1 8HAMBALLY BOY 14 (DLQ.5) (N Stewart) D Murray-Smith 7-11-8 J Frost et 6 22003-1 8HAMBALLY BOY 14 (DLQ.5) (N Stewart) C Graham 8-11-0 R Goldstain 6 604024-U COUNTRY CAP 13 (C.5) (R Townsend) R Townsend 7-11-0 R Goldstain 6 604024-U COUNTRY CAP 13 (C.5) (R Townsend) R Townsend 7-11-0 R F Goldstain 6 9 3006-22 (RON BELLY 10 (G) (Mrs I Peatr) D Elsworth 9-11-0 R F Goldstain 6 9 9 9 P LUTTLE GENERAL 16 (G Gregoson) G Gregoson 5-11-0 J White 10 1 FF40-45 SELL IT KILROY 45 (D.8F,F) (Dewirtesh Musincome) J Gifford 5-11-0 Peater Hobbs 11 11/1-54 SHOULD NEVER BES (D.F.G) (P Woodford) J Jerkins 7-11-0 Smith Eccles 88 12 (Bytose 5T AMBRO 17 (F,S) (B Seel) Mrs L Clay 7-11-0 Mr M Amsytage 75 M Richards 40 14 2402-25 ZURO 18 (S) (S Powel) S Mellor 7-11-0 M Richards 40 14 2402-25 ZURO 18 (S) (S Powel) S Mellor 7-11-0 M Richards 40 15 SU-0434 MARCORE 11 (E Gleedally W Kemp 7-10-8 M Bookey 91 BETTING: 5-2 Zuko, 4-1 fron Bitty, 6-1 Should Never Be, 12-1 Shenbally Boy, Absolute Beginner, 1987: UPHAM GAMBLE 6-11-6 S Smith Eccles (8-13 fev) D Gandolto 16 ran

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Selections

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1.0 TANNERS SAUVIGNON CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS SELLING HURDLE (£730: 2m)

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ST LOVER'S SECRET 11 (L) Davies) D R Tucker 3-16-7.

OR GENMA REDWOOD 6 (G Gibert) O O'Nell 8-10-2.

By Mandarin

By Michael Seely

Racecard number. Six-figure form (F - felt. distance winner. 8F - beaten invounite in P - pulled up. U - urseated rider. B - brought down. S - stipped up. R - refused. D - disqualified). Horse's name. Days aince last outing; F if flat. (B - blinkers. Days aince last outing; F if flat. (B - blinkers. brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider verser. B - distance winner. C0 - course and linearing a linear private linear priva

weather racing next winter (George Rae writes). A decision had been expected a month ago following the presentation of the respective cases of Lingfield Park, Don-caster and Nottingham 81 a

meeting with Levy Board and Jockey Club representatives, but an announcement was deferred

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reverting to fructies at Sandown (2m 5f 75yd, good to soft). Faces easier opposition today.

Introduction Stitutofal En finished 19k1 4th of 19 to Cruising Abitiude at Newbury (2m 100yd, good) on respositance. May well improve for that gentle re-introduction.

ENSORNE LAD won a National Hunt Flat race in good style at Fontwell (2m 2f, good to soft) test term and ran as though would benefit from this kind of trio when 16k4 5th to Espy on Huntingdon (2m 100yd, good) this season.

Salecties: KRI/GGERAN SMUGGLER

improve for that experience but has produced best form over '2m. SHAMBALLY BOY, a recent trish import, came home unchaltenged in a long distance novice event at Fornwell (3m 2f 110pd, good to soft) has time. Faces stiffer test here.

ABSOLOUTE BEGINNER, a successful point-to-pointer, whiches to fonces after 167:1 bit of 22 to Regardless in a novice hurdle at Warwick (2m 5f, soft).

(Only qualifiers

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mark (4) Donohoe (7) ... M Kintee

All-weather issue reviewed tram Ricketts, the chief exec-

The Levy Board will today consider the question of which two courses should stage allunive of the Levy Board, said yesterday, "and the progress we have made over the last five weeks will be part of the discussion tomorrow."

pending further talks with the three courses.

"There were still some financial and technical issues to be ironed out at that time," Trisday.

The Levy Board, which is to give two £1 million interest-free loans to the courses selected, is still aiming in introduce all-weather racing in the winter of the 1989-90 season. Racing would take place at two venues,

be met a decision to begin construction of the tracks must he made soon. Should there still be questions surrounding any of the submissions an alternative the Board may consider is to give the go-ahead to one of the courses and postpone judgment on the second.

• The Jockey Club is still considering whether to take any action against trainer David Elsworth concerning comments made in B television interview on the Cavvies Clown steroids

1.45 SELLINDGE SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£900; 2m 100vd) (20 numers) **FOLKESTONE** Selections

1.45 SELLINDGE SELLING HANDRCAP HURDLE (E300: 217 100yd) (20 runners)
1 01319-5 SENOR ROMANA 7 (D.F.Q.S) (J Czerpak) H White 8-12-2 Mr C Sement Wella (7)
2 106-25P PHAROAN'S TREASURE 6 (D.F.S) (R Starte) G Hem 7-12-1 0 Mechay (7)
3 414600- TURN FOR THRETTER 400 (8) (J F-Heyes) J Flich-Heyes 5-11-3... Permy Flint-Heyes
4 00-0041 FLARMING PEARL 22 (D.F.Q.S) (R Oldroyd) B Stavens 7-11-3 Permy Flint-Heyes
5 300P00 SHOUT 7 (D.F.Q) (Mrs L Clay) Mrs L Clay 8-16-12 MR Revens (7)
5 300P00 SHOUT 7 (D.F.Q) (Mrs L Clay) Mrs L Clay 8-16-12 MR Revens (8)
7 080040 ARBORNE DEAL 10 (D.S) (K Higsori) A Moore 9-10-10 G Moore
6 80040P BRUAN PONY 11 (Pausetroy Ltd) B Stavens 9-10-0 S Moore
0 30P32-2 JEM BOWE 10 (R Butler) A Davison 5-10-7 L Herrey (9)
10 PSP-073 RAMBLING ECHO 24 (V.D.G) (R Smith) P Jones 7-10-5 MR Kanese
11 F0-00 THE UNDERTAKER 14 (I Mooss) J Sayers 4-10-3 MR Pariong
12 54513-P POLECROFT 14 (D.S) (C Cory) W Perms 5-10-2 MR Maggeridge
13 Q450 SOURCE OF MAGIC 20 (P Brysn) T Huggeridge 6-10-1 MR Maggeridge
14 D0Py WOLVER PLINE 14() McGraedy) J Elicit 7-18-1 MR C Estolt
15 30F004 WILL RAME 357 (Ars J Young) C Spares 4-10-1 MR Maggeridge
16 R00P SLANDELL BEAUTY 4 (Mess W Hart) R Hood 4-10-0 MR Mood (7)
17 S50 KING OF ISKOWLEDGE 21 (J Gardner) B McMaten 4-10-0 R Woots (4)
18 24150P CEDAR RUN 43 (8,D.P.F) (M Cor) R Simpson 5-10-0 S Mickeyer (7)
19 40-0095 LUCKY BLAKE I 6 (3) A Perky J Jentine 6-10-0 S Mickeyer (7)
18 EETTING: 100-30 Jim Bowie, 9-2 Ceder Run, 11-2 Flammy Poert, 13-2 Lucky Bisks, 6-1 Source
18 Herret 12-1 Beauty Republic Report 16-10 D GROWN REPUBLIC Republ 2.45 Autumn Zuhr. 3.15 NICE DYNASTY (nap). 12.45 KRUGGERAN SMUGGLER (nap). 1.15 Shanbally Boy. Guide to our in-line racecard

BETTING: 100-30 Jim Bowle, 9-2 Ceder Run, 11-2 Fleming Pearl, 13-2 Lucity Blake, 6-1 So Magic, 12-1 Polecroft, Rambling Echo, 14-1 Pharman's Treesums, Senor Romans, 16-1 others. 1987: EXPERIMENTING 6-11-11 D Murphy (5-4 tev) B Cuttey 15 ran

FORM PHAROAH'S TREASURE, twice successful in this company last term, reverte to plating effer two unsuccessful excursions in better clear races. Prior to being pulsed up at Woroseter (2m 4, good to soft) last time, had thished a classmid fit to Hill's Pageant at Warwick (2m, good to soft).

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PLAINING PEARL gained (8th selling success when

2.15 HEATHFIELD HANDICAP CHASE (£2,022: 3m 2f) (6 runners)

1967: FLAMENCO DANCER 13-10-6 M Kinano (11-2) R O'Sullvan 15 ran

FORM CELAIR showed best form last term with some cut in the ground and when allowed to front run. Best Star Of Sersen 21 at Windsor (Sm 4f) in January.

BUCKS GREEN rounded off a largely disappointing sustain with a firm ground Wordster handicap win trost Guillantero (Sm). West Earl TINT up to form at Windsor in November when 221 3rd to Warteggan.

2.45 SHADDOXHURST CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS HANDICAP CHASE (£1,213: 2m 4f) (8

Long handicag: Riversfield Park 8-7, Playfields 9-4.

BETTING: 5-2 Wingerts, 100-30 Autumn Zulu, 9-2 Evening Song, 8-1 Tuliomagrange, 6-1 Physicids, 18-1 Young Blood, 12-1 others. 1987: MOSOF 8-11-8 T Pinfield (7-4 fav) J Gifford 11 ran FORM EVENING SONG, a course and distance winner, was a creditable 20% 44th to Fu's 1 ady on Humingdon reappearance. AUTUMN ZULLI has won 4 times at Folkestone. This is his first run here since beating Larry-O %I (2m 4f, heavy) last February. YOUNG BLOOD hea not raced since an odds on 41 2nd to Wait For Me in a Plumpton handicap (3m 1f,

May 1987). TULLOMAGRANGE was SI 2nd to Landing Board in a similar event at Kempton (2m 4t, firm) on penultimate start. WINGETTS stayed on under pressure to beek Baracora 77 at Fortwell test time with PLAYFIELDS (7th better off) 61 3rd.

3.15 STANFORD NOVICES HURDLE (£680; 2m 100yd) (20 runners) 8 Smith Ecclos R Goldstein J White 280/ HANGLEY DOWN 746 (Miss T Stone) R Akehurat 5-11-4 MATCH HARRY (Mrs Grist) D Grissell 5-11-4 02- MORTHERN GUNNER 246 (P Robinson) M Robinson 5-11-4 02- NORTHEIN GURNER 246 (P Robinson) M Robinson 5-11-1
20 AGAINST ALL ODDS 12 (A Goodjohn) J Petros 4-11-0
4952 COUNT TREVISIO 10 (6 Kesy) P Howing 4-11-0
90 GOLDEN SUNNO 20 (N Hadiseld) Mrs J Piymen 4-11-0
30-0 HOLTERIANN 16 (A Morales) D Elsworth 4-11-0
KALSHAN 45F (Mrs F Durt) F Durt 4-11-0
9 NONETTAY FUND 19 (J Court) R Aleshurst 4-11-0
NOCET DYNASTY 4005 (Mrs. C Hesti) D Shappood 4-11-0 PRINCE DYNASTY 400F (Mrs C Heath) D Sherwood 4-11-0

18GE DYNASTY 400F (Mrs C Heath) D Sherwood 4-11-0

2 36-P PRINCE YAMADORI 27 (L E Noop & Co Ltd) B McMath 4-11-0

0 REGGAE YECHAN 13 (Mrs H Alwen) J Gifford 4-11-0

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9 PIPIFUE ROBIE 468F (Mrs P Donkin) A Moore 4-10-9 G Moore
6 SEET MARY LOU 133F (R Moorie) J Fiftch-Heyes 4-10-9 Penny Fiftch-Heyes

BETTING: 11-4 Ageinst All Odds, 7-2 Holtermann, 6-1 Northern Guzner, 8-1 Count Trevisio, 16-1 Search

Wind, 12-1 Nice Dynasty, Bingdon Builders, 14-1 Reggae Yeoman, Pipitue Rosie, 18-1 Others.

1987; GANOON 4-11-8 M Richards (16-1) J Jenkins 19 ran

FORM NORTHERN GUNNER packed at the last when 61 2nd to Dare Say at Worcester (2m 2/, firm) in April. AGAINST ALL ODDS showed best on Merket Resen debut when 121 2nd to Yeneeb (2m, good to soft). SEARCH THE WIND ran on well for to win by 1%4 from Prevents William at Huntingdon (2m 100yd, good to soft) latest Selection: HOLTERMANN

	20	TANNE	RS WINES NOVICES CHASE (£1,908: 2m) (10 runners)	
	1	DP/5-0P1	PUCKA PADDY 29 (D,G) (W McKenzie-Coles) W McKenzie-Coles 11-11-7 W Indiae	(4) 80
٠			SWING TO STEEL 12 (D,F,S) (Gwent Steel Limited) M Pipe 8-11-7	
			BALLYTRENT 26 (D Shone) R Brotherton 8-11-0	
			DOBSONS CHOICE 40 (F,s) (Mrs S Evens) Mrs 9 Evens 10-11-0	
			DOUBLE CALIBRE 19 (5) (B Robinson) J Spearing 5-11-0	
	- 5		MESTER KILO 18 (Mrs & Hughes) A Jones 7-11-0	
	7		MR FRANLEE 13 (R Brand) Mrs & Annytage 8-11-0	
	6	32011/-0	NEW GOLD DREAM 16 (F,G) (Mrs J Mould) D Nicholson 7-11-0 R Duraroo	4
	9	U0904-P	PIRATES PUNCH 6 (G Maundrell) G Moundrell 9-11-0	oli 79
			TEBITTO 17 (F,S) (L Ames) A Turnell 5-11-0	
ı	Droi	BETTING: un, 18-1 N	: 13-6 Swing To Steel, 4-1 Dauble Calibre, 5-1 Pucker Paddy, 8-1 Dobsons Choice, N Ar Finnies, 14-1 others.	aw Gold

1987: EASTSHAW 5-11-7 H Davies (11-10 fev) T Forster 15 ran
2.30 TANNERS CHARDONAY HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,297: 2m) (18 runners)
1 10118-1 PEARLY XING 16 (CD,Q,S) (W J Smith) G Kindersley 5-12-0
2 1134-90 EMRYS 34 (D,BF,F) (B Gregory) D Nicholson 5-11-6
4 326-023 AFARISTOUN 21 (D,S) (H Keys) J Edwards 4-11-6
5 202242- DEADLY GOING 213 (D.F.S) (Ners M Bridgester) K Bridgester 18-11-4 P. Dever - 67
6 30/402-1 BROWN RIFLE 27 (D,S) (A Forsyth) D Burthell 6-11-3
9 \$32320 WELL COVERED 10 (F,G) (G Hamilton) P Hollasheed 7-10-11
9 221/-P06 BALLYSHANNON RUN 6 (F) (T Siviter) A Jernes 8-10-7
11 0166-00 ABBEYDORE & O.S. (G Power) T Balloy 6-10-5 D Tegg 97
12 1P-0 TREWITHEN 11 (F) (W H Williams Accountants) D Barons 4-10-4 N Hawke (4) 87
13 0142- MALACANANG 234 (D,G) (J Stimpson) J Smith 4-10-0
15 672F70/ MORE GLORY 1848 (Mrs A Booton) J O'Shee 8-10-0
19 00-4036 TLARUM 10 (D.G.S) (M Lectoury) A Chamberlein 8-10-0
19 PP/PF/P PRETTY FLY 46 (F Davies) B Preco 8-10-0 S Keightly —
Long hundicase: Nuns Royal 9-8, More Glory 8-1, Tierum 9-0, Picadilly Prince, 8-10. Pretty Fly 8-10.

BETTING: 5-2 Afaristours, 9-2 Brown Rifle, 6-1 Pearly King, 8-1 Umpaid Member, 9-1 Deadly Going, 16-1 lectring, 12-1 Errys, 14-1 others.

1987: MENNING 6-11-5 & Earle (33-1) K Bishop 20 ran

3.0 TANNERS CLARET HANDICAP CHASE (£1,865: 3m) (5 runners) 1 22-632P SUPER EXPRESS 15 (D.C.5) (5 Williams) III Berons 7-11-10 P | 2 P/-8F121 WYPORD 12 (C.D.C.5) (Arme Duchees of Westminster) T Foreter 11-11-1 H S 24-1U33 CROWECOPPER 26 (D.F.C.5) (J Engineering Ltn) B Preces 9-16-13 P 804 4 2120-P SOME DO 61 (D.B.F.S) (6 Theoriesy) Mrs M Rimell 6-10-6 P 8040/IP MRSS CHRISTOPHER 423 (5) (G Davis) S Davis 6-10-2 N C BETTING: 9-4 Crowscopper, 8-1 Super Express, 10-3 Wyford, 9-2 Miss Christopher, 11-2 Some Do. 1987: GERANI 7-11-7 T Morgan (7-2 jt-lav) J Edwards 12 ran

3.30 TANNERS PATRONO PORT NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (21,147: 2m) (18

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3		BONESE DUNDEE (Mrs C Fairbaim) J Edwards 4-11-2	Mr P Fenton	_
4		BUCKOAK (A HEI) Mrs 8 Ofver 8-11-2	Jacqui Hayes (7)	_
6		CANTANEGA 16 (Larkhall Laboratories Pic) Mrs J Pietran 4-11-2		_
	4	MEDITATOR 10 (Mrs J Pertin) W Pertin 4-11-2	A McCrystal	_
[7		NAE BOTHER (W Wharton) J Wharton 4-11-2-	P Herte (40	_
8	6	PALACE GARDENS 26 (J Smith) J Bradley 4-11-2	Itr D Price (7)	_
Ō	2	PEAJADE S9 (Mrs J Hall) M Robinson 4-11-2	W McFedend (7)	_
10		SABAKI RIVER (Mrs K Stuart) C Roach 4-11-2		
11		THE PUTNEY LARK (Larichall Laboratories Plo) Mrs J Pitman 4-11-2.	D Skyrme (7)	_
12		TREVAYLOR (G Noye) D Burons 4-11-2		_
13		TUDOR SUN (P Purdy) B Forsey 8-11-2		
14		VULDANDY (O Stokes) D Jermy 5-11-2		_
15	D	WACKERS MAGIC 60 (G Mellabor) M Pige 4-11-2.	Mr P Scholleid	_
16		ZINGARO BOY (Mrs V Alien) K Balley 4-11-2		_
17		JUST ROSE (Mrs D Jenks) M Pipe 4-16-11	A Machinico	_
16		LIBOI NELODY (M Delion) P Hedger 4-18-11	R Goddines	_
BET Wackers	TING Mag	: 11-16 Peajade, 7-2 Bonnia Dundee, 4-1 Cancemaga, 6-1 Cadford ic, 14-1 others.	Giri, 8-1 Trevaylor, 1	12-1

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Nation geared to sports success

n 1988, Sweden, a coentry of only 8.3 million inhabitants, has produced three winners of championships: Anders Holmertz in swimming, Liselotte Neumann in golf, and Mats Wilander in tennis. Holmertz subsequently beat the favourites, Biondi, of America and Gross, of West Germany, to take a freestyle silver medal in the Olympic Games behind Armstrong, of Australia; while Wilander ha reviously won the champion ships of Australia and France and Stefan Edberg the

The Swedish sports on is not confined. as might popularly be sup-posed, to tennis, in which the Davis Cup has just been lost. In Seoul, Sweden entered teams in 21 of the 25 sports, and in 15 of those, as either team or individual, finished in the top six. In a further three sports they were seventh and for the first time since 1908 failed to win a gold meda

One person in every 1,500 of the population is in contention for selection to a national team. Sweden lies fourth in the all-time list of Olympic med-als behind the United States, Soviet Union and Great Britain. Yet this is not a philistine nation. The Government grant to sport is less than half of what is donated to theatre, dance and music.

hardly new. The Swedes, with spaces and instinctive affinity with nature, were collectively jogging a century before the Sunday Times had ever heard of the expression "fun run". Organized sport in Sweden is possibly older even than in Britain. It was in 1897 that the National Association of founded, leading to the forma-tion, in 1903, of the Swedish Sports Confederation. That is still the main organizing body. Some two million people, or a quarter of the population, are regularly active in sport, and no fewer than five million on on intermittent basis.

It was the hosting of the Olympic Games of 1912, in Stockholm, which first fo-cussed the national enthusiasm of sport. That event was the inspiration of General Victor Balck, who had personal experiences in gymnastics, and who might be

THE SWEDISH

MESSAGE

Sigfried Edstrom, the vice-president of the National Olympic Committee who was president of the IOC at the time of the Olympic Games in London in 1948. Edstrom, an exceptional enthusiast, maintained the rare feat of regular correspondence with 10C members throughout the second world war.

ennard Johansson,
the president of the

Football

cerned that there is a contemporary lack - as in Britain - of Swedish representation on inter-national bodies, Wolf Lyberg. the general secretary of the NOC, who for 40 years has been a reference dictionary of Olympic sport, has recently

The rise of tennis in Sweden, which has been featured more than once in these colns, is not unique. The development in many sports, though not so publicly visible, is similar, particularly in sailing, canoeing orienteering and

Although Sweden is one of the world's five leading ice hockey nations, there are now, for example, more women footballers than there are male ice bockey players. But the growth in women's football is exceeded only by golfers. The platform for the big medals comes from 39,000 sports clubs, half of which are intercompany orientated. Mass Cabinet rank. sport has a wide spectrum. There are many thousands of thons, headed by the Stockholm event.

None of the participants is competing in ignorance. There are, nationally, 400,000 aninvolved in coaching-training once a year or more. It is these coaches who provide the most

lt was Lunn, together with a former resident of these parts, Hannes Schneider, who in 1928 created the first genuine Alpine

race: the Arlberg-Kandahar.

The name of the race reflects the great friendship of the two men. Arlberg is the majestic range of mountains overlooking St Anton; Kandahar is in bon-

Runs to

SCOTLAND

Sweden is an outstanding

sporting country. **David Miller**

reports on the reasons why

comradeship, respect for rules sis on fair play.It is this which has made public reaction to the astonishing weekend Da-vis Cup defeat by West Ger-many one of dismay rather

involved with the 1800 schools sports clubs, with their quarter of a million members. In 23 regional schools sports associ-ations, the parental influence is strong, though there is a degree of concern that parents are tended to veer towards the more commercial sports such as tennis and golf; with the likelihood, therefore, that Sweden will produce more candidates to emulate Edberg than Thomas Gustavsson, the double gold medal winner at

speed skating in Calgary.
Not surprisingly, the sports
minister has a substantial Longvist was on the board of the Swedish Tennis Association in 1970, its president from 1978, and on the board of the Sports Confederation from 1970. Since 1980, he has been the active president of Tyreso Football Club, which runs 80

ike Colin Moynihan, in Britain, Longvist has his time divided by responsibility for other ministries housing and land resources but he enjoys the advantage of

The taxation system, regarded by many as severe, is entrants for the annual Vasa designed to promote every ski race (85km), the Vattern aspect of social life with cycle race (300km), the funding from the public sector. Vansbro river swim (3km) and This means that the current Lidingo cross country race government annual grant to (30km). There are many mara-sport is £70 million, or 75 per cent larger than the British Sports Council's grant for a population seven times

Some £25 million of the paid coaches, half of whom are total goes directly to governing bodies. A further £33 million is grapted indirectly, with the payment of 2,500 employees in significant of all contributions state or regional sport, with national sport: a another £70 million spent on





Sigfried Edstrom: kept Olympic flag flying Liselotte Neumann: emulated Laura Davies

the maintenance of eight professorial chairs and university research in technological development and sports medicine.

Local anthorities inject £600 million into sport. Addition-

ally the football pools pay back £5 million and £1 million to a training fund for the Olympic team, for whom the government underwrites all transport and accommodation. the club. Not the least encouraging

concession to sport is that nonprofit-making organizations are exempt from taxation, and indeed often qualify for subsidies. The Football Association therefore pays no tax on revenue, only an 11 per cent tax on publicity and advertising, in which the first £6,000 is

All sports clubs benefit from the regulation that for every hour spent on any one day in formal activity for any group of five people between the ages of seven and 25, they qualify for a grant of £2.30 from the local authority and £1.20 from central government. An bour's coaching for 15 young foot-ballers is therefore worth £7 to

specialist high schools that provide for a combination of study and the practice of elite sport, with 600 places available annually. The process is continued at university, with specialized sports courses, and an allowance to extend academic study to acco sport. There are 100 university

sports scholarships selected by the Sports Confederation. I asked Mr Longvist what

were considered to be the justifications of the extensive support for sport. The government's perception, he said, was four-fold: the mood of social well-being generated by sport, the fact that it is the largest common activity of youth, that it promotes nat-ional health and offers a correction to sedentary habits, and that it is also the bigges activity, participant and view-ing, of adults. "It is therefore a cultural activity" he conclusively.

TOMORROW

The upsure in Swedish golf.

CRICKET: LLOYD FINDS AUSTRALIAN PROGRAMME NOT ENTIRELY TO HIS LIKING

Arlberg-Kandahar Richardson hit by elements

SKIING

From Iain Macleod, St Anton, Austria

SKI REPORTS

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World Cup continues to be back in the 1920s, there is no plagued with problems. Here, on the eve of the 53rd running of the famous Ariberg-Kandahar evolved. races, an unboly mix of snow, rain and low cloud may yet curtail this week's scheduled men's downhill, slalom and

combination races.
Yesterday's second downhill practice run had to be cancelled and if there is no respite today, tomorrow's race will be held over until Thursday. The slalom would then have to be re-scheduled, probably in Japan in

Priority has been given to ensuring that the downhill will proceed. The Ariberg-Kandahar downhill course, with its numerous twists and turns, is one of the quickest on the circuit and holds the promise of a spectacu-

This is the original classic ski race. It may seem incredulous now, but without the British

All lifts now open

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Charnonix
Best skiing above 2,000m
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Tignes
Enjoyable skiing
Val Thorens
Good early season skiing

TTALY Cervinia 30 180 worn Good skiing on plateau Rosa

New snow on hard base

Grindelwald 30 100 good

Excellent skiing conditions

Verbier 10 130 good

Pistes good above 2,000m

Zermatt 20 50 good

Information supplied by the Austrian
 National Tourist Office.

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Zermatit 20 50 good varied fair show New snow fairing on good base In the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain, L refers to lower slopes and U to upper, and art to artificial.

revels in role swap

Hobart (Reuter) — Richie Richardson revelled in his role as an opening batsman to score 121 as the West Indians tore a modest Tasmanian attack to

The touring team, playing their last match before Friday's third Test against Australia in Melbourne, were 295 for three at the close of the first day of the three-day match. Richardson, replacing the injured Haynes, and Greenidge were quickly into their stride after an hour had been lost to rain.

Greenidge's 84 included two

our of Lord Roberts of that name, a hero of the British Raj. sixes over square leg and long on and nine fours. He seemed assured of a century until be edged a ball from de Winter to There are those who say that the aristocratic ideals of that time still contribute to the present problems of British Hughes at second slip. Hughes knocked the ball up and Taylor, backing up, took the catch.

Richardson continued to score freely and reached bis century shortly after tea. He was a temptrally dismissed after hit. None the less, since its inauguration in 1928, the AK has been one long tale of heroic deeds, not least on Lunn's part, having been prominent in Schneider's escape from the Germans ten years later.

eventually dismissed after hit-ting 13 boundaries. ting 13 boundaries.

Arthurtoo also battered the beleaguered Tasmania, who were already missing Gilbert, the fast bowler, because of injury and they suffered another blow when Cruse, the spinner, fielding at silly mid-on, was struck on the head by a full-hlooded Greenidge drive and was forced to leave field. was forced to leave field.
Arthurtoo hit two sixes over square leg and included seven fours in his 72.

WEST INDIANS: First Innings
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M Benjarian, I i i genope ero a r remaran. I i o bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-165 2-245 3-292. BOWLING: Campbell 163-53-1: Fautioner 122-259-1; Hughes 16-2-57-0; Tucker 18-3-48-1; de Winter 14-3-59-1; Boon 4-1-13u. TASRANIA: O C Boori, M Taylor, G A Hughes, "O M Wellham, 3 A Crusé, R Tudker, †R E Soule, G O Campbel, A J de Whiter, P Faulkner, O J Buckingham.

Rain relieves New Zealand

Jammu (Reuter) — The fifth and final one-day international of New Zealand's tour was abandoned yesterday without a ball being played to this Himalayan footbills town and left India with a 40 more in the series. with a 4-0 margin in the series.
Pilloo Reporter and Dara
Donwala, the umpires, decided
at their first inspection that
there was no prospect of play
and New Zealand headed home, having also lost the three-match Test series 2-1 on their eight-

week tour. Besides Richard Hadlee becoming the record-holder in Test wickets, New Zealand have little to show for their efforts after Narendra Hirwani and Ahshad Ayub spun India to victory in the Tests and Kris Srikkanth twice took five wickets in the one-day matches with his off-

One-day game is under threat from lager louts

Clive Lloyd is back at the crease, hammering not the bowlers of his choice but the Australian Establishment. As manager of the present West Indian side in Australia, he thinks that the imposition of over-rates is "stu-pid and unnecessary," and that the innerary for the West Indian tour leaves much to be desired. The Victorian police are also on the warpoth, saying they can no the warpath, saying they can no longer "tolerate the potential for violence" at the day-night games at the Melbourne Cricket Ground. I am sure their Sydney counterparts would agree.

It is partly because West Indies, although two Tests up, are facing a considerable fine that Lloyd is fulminating. They stand at the moment to have to pay up approximately £7.500 for

stand at the moment to have to pay up approximately £7,500 for failing to match the over-rate (based on 15 overs an hour), required by the playing conditions for the Test series.

"The excitement and the quality of the cricket is what matters," says Lloyd. "When that is good I don't think anybody in the ground really nonces how many overs are nonces how many overs are being bowled." The weakness of this argument is, surely, that the this argument is, surely, may are side receiving only, say, 75 overs in a day, rather than 90 or, as Richie Benaud would prefer, 108, has its chances of facing enough balls to score enough runs to win the match dras-tically reduced.

the second and third Tests and then again between the third and fourth Tests. The first batch, of five, has now finished, with the West Indians unbeaten, and Pakistan without a wir, the second, of eight, plus a best-oftere final, will be played between January 1 and 18.

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England were of the same opinion as Lloyd when, soon after the Australian board's

settlement with World Series, they were asked to switch from one form of cricket to another, even more bewilderingly than is happening now. As a result of their objection, when England came next the Test matches were completed before the pyja-mas came our and the World Series Cop began.
Like everyone else, except for
the Australian Cricket Board

(who have to dance to the time of television), Lloyd thinks that there should always be a rest day in Test matches. So there should As a deviation from the present Australian practice of playing them without one, there will, in fact, be a break in the next match, which starts on Boxing Day. "One day's play and then a day off for Christmas Day is crazy," says Lloyd, though it has happened often enough before.

In his tour report he will suggest that in future the players themselves should be more closely consulted when tours are Regarding the programme of Tests and ooe-day internationals, Lloyd considers it unsatisfactory to have the one-day games slotted in between themselves should be more closely consulted when tours are planned. So far as past players who criticize the modern game go—and they are not only to be found in Australia—Lloyd says

Whitney and Wasim take bowling honours John Dyson and Steve Smith repaired some of the damage with a stand of 41 but shortly

Sydney (Reuter) — Wasim Akram spared some of Paki-stan's blushes after they had been shot out for 191 by New South Wales oo a benign pitch

before the close Ramiz ran out Smith for 26. PAKISTANIS: First Innings
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Moin-uk-Ado e and b Wishey
Rez Ahmed c Dyer b Matthews
Fasioem Yousuf e Dyer b Whitney
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Firstan Khan e Jones b Robertson.
Washin Alvarim e and b O'Nell moved both Mark Taylor and Mark Waugh without scoring as the state side struggled to 46 for three at the close of the first day three at the close of the first day of the three-day match.
Earlier, Mike Whitney, another left-arm bowler, had pressed his claims for an Australian Test call by taking four for 34. He dismissed Moin-ul-Atiq and Salim Yousuf in the space of 10 runs. Whitney took a superb return cach to dismiss. no Javed not out Extres (b 1, lb 3, nb 2)....

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-27, 2-58, 3-88, 4-117, 5-118, 6-152, 7-162, 6-172, 9-181. 90WLING: Whitney 15.5-5-34-4; Jones 5-0-24-0; Matthews 18-6-47-1; Waugh 13-4-48-1; Robertson 14-5-17-2; O'Neil 8-1-18superb return catch to dismiss Moio for 36 and in his oext over be had Yousuf caught behind by Greg Dyer for 15. Whitney's NEW SOUTH WALES: First irrings other scalps were Ramiz Raja and Abdul Qadir. When New South Wales re-plied, Akram struck with the Dyson not out _____ A Taylor c Yousuf b Akram_ E Waugh b Akram

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So rancous, so thoroughly vile are certain sections of the oneare certain sections of the one-day crowds that no one wanting to watch the cricket would willingly do so from the Hill at Sydney anymore or from some of the bays in the Southern stand at Melbourne. "You get scared and you learn to hate them," said a police officer, referring to the most that were such a the mob that were such a menace here last Thursday night. "It is racist, jingoistic, sexist and without an ounce of the dry wit that once charac-terized the comments of cricket crowds," wrote the correspondent of the Melbourne Herald.

of beer, being hurled into the air whenever the crowd rise for the Mexican wave, the police are concerned for the public's safety and the cricketing officials for the practicability of play. Last week two West Indians were hit. At the Test match over Christmas it should not be so Christmas it should not be so bad. The one-day crowds: they are the whirtwind being respect from the wind that Mr Packer sowed. It is a worry — and may provide the West Indian manager with his next chance to leave his crease.

Amiss in line for county appointment

appointment
The former England opener,
Dennis Amiss, and former
county captains, Norman
Gifford, and John Whitehouse,
are to stand for election to
Warwickshire's committee.
They will be among 12 candidates for five seats at the
gannal meeting on Jameny 25.
Warwickshire's ammual report
reveals an after-tax surplus of
27,623 compared with a record
profit of £191,880 in 1987.
The shamp was expected
because Edgheston did not stage
a Test match last summer.

• Sydney (Restley) — The pace
bowler, Bruce Reid, playing only
his third match after a serious
back injury, helped Western
Australia to an amings victory
over South Australia in the Australia to an imnings victory over South Australia in the Sheffield Shield in Perth

He and Terry Alderman took eight wickets as South Australia were bundled out for 104 in 38.2 were transfer out for 100 in 30.2 overs. Western Australia wan by an innings and 103 runs with a day to spare. Reld finished with three for 28

from 13 fiery overs.

with a Yugoslav

West Germany's

winning affair

By Richard Evans Gardini's adoring Milanese fans, Britain tost. Pilic's first venture as a hired hand had Twenty-six years ago he was helping ttaly beat Britain in Milan, to 1973 he became the Milan, in 1973 he became the catalyst for the players bovcott of Wimbledon which became known as the "Pilic Affair". And then last weekend in Gothenburg he was to be found in the middle of a collective German benefits as strong with been a success.

We were offered just a few

bearing leaping around with Boris Becker and the other players he had led to a stunning Davis Cup triumph over For a journey that began in Split. Yugoslavia. 49 years ago. the tennis career of Nicola Pilic has taken some unlikely twists unlikely that is, to everyone except the man bimself. For except the man binsel. For Pilic is neither a shy man — he chose the middle Sunday of Wimhledon to get married one year so that he could invite 200

close friends — nor a self-doubting one. Leaving himself open to end-less ridicule during his days on the tour. Pilic would give you an the tour. Pilic would give you an authoritative categorical answer to any question on virtually any subject and this air of self-confidence offers a clue to his success in dealing with a nation that tends to respond to firm

None the less when I met him in Milan in 1962 Pilic himself would have been hard-pressed to predict the final outcome of a playing career that always promised a little more than it

produced.
"Yes, I remember the year
exactly." he recalled. "It was just
after Boro Jovanovic and I had
reached the final of the Wimbledon doubles and the pair that beat us. Nikki Pietrangeli, and Orlando Sirola, were so im-pressed they invited us to help them prepare for the Davis Cuptic against Britain.

That was the era of Billy Knight and the late Mike Sangster and if neither of the Yugoslavs could emulate Sangleft-hander, was able to offer the Italians valuable prepara-tion for facing Knight. Predictably, considering that the tie was played in simmering summer heat on clay in from of Fausto

"We were offered just a few lire on the side as was the custom in those days." Pille explained, the lopsided grin and straight back and sides haircut totally unchanged by either fashion or Father Time.

It was his refusal to play a Davis Cup-ie for Yugoslavia after be had hinted — but not promised — that he would which promised - that he would which led to his suspension by the ILTF in 1973 — a deliberately provocative move which gave the newly-formed Association of Tennis Professionals just the cause it was looking for. With neither side backing down and Pilic, embarrassed for once wondering what he had started, 87 out of 90 members of the ATP walked out on Wimbledon.

On retiring from the circuit Pilic moved his family to Munich and began coaching. Eight years ago he was hired as coach to the German team and when it tain, Wilhelm Bungert, was not getting on with the new red-headed wunderkind. Pilic pre-pared his next move by acquiring a German passport. Only nationals are allowed to

captain Davis Cup teams.

"I had been picking the team for years anyway." Pilic confided. "But when they offered me Willy's job 1 made total control of team selection my produce anywher one stipulaabsolute number one stipula in the players every Wednesday morning at nine o'clock. No. 1 don't consult them first but they I am thinking."

And Becker? Boris, of course is very strong-headed but we have a good relation-ship," insists Pilic, who is not stupid enough to believe he would still be around if they

Cliff Drysdale, Pierre Barthes, Roger Taylor and some of Pilic's other colleagues on the old pro tour will be smiling this week. They always knew Nikki talked

Woman umpire for Davis Cup

By a Special Correspondent

Jane Tabor, the leading British piring in the Davis Cup is for umpire, has become the first woman official to be chosen to take charge of a Davis Cup tie. Tabor, aged 30, from London, will officiate at the world-group first-round match between Israel and France in Tel Aviv next

She has become Britain's ost experienced women's official, this year being umpire for the Australian Open final between Steffi Graf and Chris Evert, as well as the Olympic

final in Scoul, where Graf won the gold medal by defeating Gabriela Sabatini, of Argentina. Thomas Hallberg, the director of men's tennis at the International Federation, nominated Tabor and explained: "I can't understand why a woman umpire has never been put forward for selection in the past. It seems as if everyone thinks that um-

men only.
"I am only interested in making sure we have got the best officials. We first saw Tabor working officially at the Olym-pics where we made a special effort to have as many women

"She did a great job. She took the final and I did not see any reason why she should not take a Davis Cup match.

"The only thing we seek is nality among officials. She has

Loosemore lives up to her new-found status

From Barry Wood; Melbourne

The boys group is headed by the 1987 world junior cham-pion, Jason Stoltenberg, with Richard Fromberg. Johan Anderson, and Todd Wood-Sarah Loosemore, who took on the role of British national champion three weeks ago, yes-terday defeated the Australian, Kristine Radford, 6-2, 6-3 in the bridge, also representing Austra-lia. Pete Sampras, of the United States, Goran Ivansevic (pres-Coca-Cola youth masters tour-nament in Melbourne. ently ranked No. 2 in juniors and coached by Nikki Pilic), and two Swedes, Niklas Kulti and Magnus Larsson, are the others.

world's top players, aged 18 and under. Of the eight girls and eight boys, half are Australian and the rest have been especially invited by the organizers from overseas. Loosemore, aged 17, is the only British representative. The matches are played in a round-robin format, and each player is guaranteed five matches in five days, ideal preparation, Loosemore be-lieves, for her Australian tour which climaxes with the Australian Open in mid-January.

Her opponents include Rachel McQuillan, ranked No. 4 in the world in juoiors, and the girl

she meets today, Brenda Schultz, the Wimbledon junior champion. Anne Devries, of Belgium, and Emmanuelle Derly, of France, complete the foreign line-up. **RACKETS**

Hiscock leads the toppling of the seeds By William Stephens

Richard Montgomerie, the first seed from Rugby, plays the tunseeded Andrew Hiscock of Malvern in today's final of the H K Foster Cup at Queen's Club-Hiscock eliminated the second seed, Thorold Barker, of Martborough by 15-4, 15-3, 12-15, 15-7, yesterday, while Montgomerie defeated Luke Poster of Parilley 15-4, 15-3, 18-3, Montgomerie defeated Luke Danby of Radley 15-4, 15-3, 15-

John Boddington, of Cheltenham knocked out the first seed, Michael Butler of Marlborough Michael Butler of Mariborough in the Renny Cup yesterday, winning 7-15, 17-16, 15-9. He then beat Guy Pettigrew of Wellington 2-15, 15-4, 15-11, 15-12 to reach today's final Pettigrew had put out the other Cheltonian, Johnsthan Rooney.

Boddington's greatest strength is his competitiveness and composure; his double handed strokes and serve from the right are especially effective.
He plays Kevin Walker of Tonbridge who eliminated the second seed, James Achesons Gray of Charterhouse, by 7-15, 15-10, 16-17, 15-10, 15-12,

HOCKEY Schoolgirl in England's indoor squad

The Australians did badly on

the Australians did badly on the first day. None of them won, with Stoltenberg's 6-4, 6-4 defeat by Kulti the most surprising. Anne Devries plays Faull today, and although the Australian, ranked No. I in the world inniversal to double sent the sent to the surprise of the sent to th

junior rankings in doubles and two in singles, would normally

expect to enter the match with some confidence, she will play

directly after returning from a

Sampras is a name to watch, for he may follow Andre Agassi to stardom shortly. Aged 17, he recently defeated Tim Mayotte.

Yesterday, he overwhelmed Woodbridge 6-0, 6-1.

weekend in Japan.

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By Joyce Whitehead England's indoor squad face a formidable programme of three tournaments starting in The Netherlands from January 12 to Netherlands from January 12 to 15 and followed the next weekend by the Home internationals in Glasgow and a tournament in France in March.

Although indoor squads only number 12, some of the players can go only to one of the overseas tournaments so 15 have been named.

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Sue Chundler of Kent, and
Joan Lewis, of Derbyshire, are
new caps and so not is Carolyn
Reid, a schoolgirl from Lancashire, aged 16.

© Leicester beat Sherwood in
the Midland premier league and
Pickwick bear Tamworth so
Leicester, Sutton Coldifield,
Sherwood and Pickwick are now
tied on eight points with two tied on eight points with two more matches left.

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FOOTBALL

£1.1m sponsorship deal is the icing on Tottenham's cake

By Stuart Jones Football Correspondent

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tially off it as well. The club announced yesterday that a new sponsorship deal, signed As with Holsten whose name is emblazoned on their shirts, will be worth £1.1 million over the next three years.

The club and the company, who reached an agreement initially in 1984 and renewed it two years later, are now linked in one of the most lucrative contracts in the League. The sum represents more than half the cost of Gascoigne, whose fee broke the British transfer record.

Irving Scholar, the chairman at White Hart Lane, welcomed the extension of a deal which confirms Tottenham's right to a place among the country's most powerful and attractive clobs. "We have been delighted with the support of the sponsors," he

"It is one of the biggest guaranteed cash sponsorships in English football and I'm particularly pleased to be announcing it on the fifth anniversary of the original contract." Four years ago Tottenham were the only club in the first division to play without the name of a firm on

The deal also completes a sequence of events which has transformed Tottenham's season. Before regaining the two Leagne points, deducted because of their false start, they were st the bottom of the League referees and linesmen in which they are officiating or first division. They have since and a mystery sponsor are that of their association.

Neville Southall will be absent

for the first time this season when Everton play Millwall in

tonight's Simod Cup third round tie. The Welsh inter-

national goalkeeper has a back

injury and is replaced by Stowell, who was recently re-

called to Goodison Park follow-

ing a spell on loan at Port Vale.

Colin Harvey, the manager, delays naming his side as both Watsoo and Van den Harwe are

doubtful. "I am sure that this is

going to be a very competitive game. They beat us in the League earlier in the seasoo so

we know exactly what they are

capable of," Harvey said. John Docherty, his opposite oumber, has added Morgan to the 13 oo

duty against Sheffiold

Robert Fleck is almost certain to be missing from the Norwich City attack for another Simod Cup game, at Ipswich. The Scot

strained back muscles during

new goalkeeper, was prevented from making his first appear-ance for the club when his Football League clearance came through an hour too late for him

Thurstvedt, elgued for £400,000 from IFK Gothenburg.

was forced to watch the game, which ended in a I-1 draw, from

ne-up for the reserves at

Southall's deputy gets

a rare opportunity

FIRST DIVISION SPONSORS

Tottenham Hotspur, whose fortunes on the pitch have improved significantly recently, are to profit substantially of the substantial of the substan

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climbed to the middle of the

Now they have received additional wealth from sponsors whose managing director, Pat Donaghue, believes that "Tottenham's status and image in the soccer arena ideally complements our own." He indicated that other companies may in the future seek the same method of

publicising their products. "This is a cost effective brand exposure", he said, "as opposed to the soaring costs of television advertising." Yet
the price is growing higher.
For the privilege of using II
Tottenham players to act as
mobile billboards, Holsten's
match officials. outlay amounts to £370,000 a

■ The shirt advertising revolution could extend to referees if, as expected, ten-

• The Walsall directors yes-

agreed that the management team remain io their posts and

their positions be reviewed in

allowed to proceed (Louise Taylor writes). John Goggins, of the League's referees department said yesterday: "We have

heard whispers of an offer from an unnamed company who have made overtures towards the Association." Goggins is not opposed to the principle. "Ten years ago the ideal of shirt advertising for piavers was an anothema." he said, "but look how far we have gone down that road

However Goggins stressed that any advertising revenue in trim for Hobart would go to referees associ-ations rather than individual

There is no Football League ruling barring referees and linesmen from carrying shirt advertising but a Football Association minute stipulates tative negotiations between that officials may only wear the Association of Football the slogans of the competition

Bingham stifles the alarm

Northern Ireland have a double injury scare just 48 hours before their vital World Cup qualifier

terday gave their manager, Tommy Coakley, and his assistant, Gerry Sweeney, a qualified vote of confidence. The two were expecting to be dismissed following a losing run of 10 league and cup games but chairman Barrie Blower said: "After lengthy discussions it was severed that the management against Spain.

John McClelland, the captain, and the Newcastle midfield player, David McCreery, have achilles tendoo injuries. They have been carrying the

injuries for some time. I'll keep my eye oo them over the next 48 hours but at the moment it's too early to ring the alarm bells," Billy Bingham, the manager, Bingham is likely to pick

the New Year, if necessary."

Crystal Palace have paid
Colchester United £40,000 for
utility player Rudi Hedman.
The England under-21 interparional Sterre Chattle have Kevin Wilson, of Chelsen, as Northern Ireland's lone striker signed s new five-year contract although he faces competition from Jimmy Quinn, of Leicester

with Nottingham Forest.

The Barnsley captain Joe
Joyce, who has made 353
appearances for the Oakwell The more established Colin Clarke has had a miserable club, is to rewarded with a season with only one goal so far testimonial year, covering the scored during his current loan to 1989-90 season.

● The Yorkshire club Emley, last season's beaten finalists, the second division club. Boornemouth, from Southampton.

Ian Ferguson, aged 21, and already a £1 million footballer, will be handed the chance to advance his World Cup claims against Italy, in Perugia, on Thursday. The Rangers midfield man has been assured of his Scotland

strained back muscles during the 1-0 win at Liverpool and is expected to be replaced by Allen.

Humphreys is unlikely to be fit to take his place at the heart of the Bristol City defence for their FA Cup second round, second replay at Aldershot. Humphreys bruised his right leg badly during Saturday's match against Cardiff. McGarvey, who needed three stitches following a collision with the referee, has been passed fit to rejoio the attack. debut at some stage of the friendly international and Fer-guson aims to make the most of guson aims to make the most of his early Christmas present.

"Obviously 1 want to be involved in the next World Cup finals so it means a lot to be included this week," the powerful youngster said. "To be honest, it has come much quicker than 1 expected but I want to take advantage of the simultion."

Brownston Value of the weeks breaststroke capped off an outstanding winter season for the Wigan Wasp. Up against Tracey McFarlane, the American record holder, Brownsdon had the best start, held that lead to the turn (33.95ecc), and then drew away to win by n full second and just miss her own long-course British record.

It was Brownsdon's second

Andy Roxburgh, the Scottish manager, will not reveal at this stage whether Ferguson starts Thursday's match or comes on at an appropriate moment in the proceedings.

Roxburgh seems intent on blooding new talent against Italy so Ferguson is likely to get a starting role, while Dave McPherson, of Hearts, and Gordon Durie, of Chelsea, may be limited to appearances as Britain swim cap from final of the 200 metres back-Brownsdon, who had borrowed stroke. At least be qualified for a it after leaving her own at home. limited to appearances as

Soviets get Muir owes a debt to radical design

Rod Muir's "maxi" yacht, Windward Passage II, showing outstanding windward sailing ability in light breezes and a lumpy swell, won the first two races of the AWA Ocean Racing Championship series on handicap as well as taking line honours in both.

The Farr-50 that comfortably won its class in the St Francis Yacht Cluh's Big-Boat scries earlier this year, and which is a strong contender for a place in next year's Admiral's Cup team.

In the second race, over a 75-mile Olympio-style course — the first of its kind ever laid by the

The series of four races cul-minates in the 630 nantical mile AWA Sydney-Hobart race, which starts oo Dec 26.

Sydney (Reuter) — A Soviet yacht arrived here yesterday to participate in the race to Hobart starting on Beering Day — as a parthinder for the first Soviet Union assault on the international racing calendar. Veter, the 13.6-metre craft, and her crew arrived on Alexandr Push-lin. the Soviet liner, from

kin, the Soviet liner, from Vladivostok.

Viativostok.
"It will be difficult competing against the modern boats here, but we hope to finish in the top 10," Pavel Vasilchenko, the skipper, said. "It has been our dream to participate in a famous race like the Sydney to Hobart

The Soviet Union plans to

crew prepared to set the mast, adjust rigging and tota n box of bits and pieces into a racing

yacht in just one day.

The bine-halled fibregians vessel has won the Japan Sea Race twice, in 1984 and 1987.

The yacht retired from the race

in 1985 with a broken rudder

after running into a typhoon.
It was entered for the 630-mile race to Hobart by the Far

Eastern Shipping Company of Vladivostok.

Windward Passage II, designed by German Freis and built of an exotic composite plastic laminate engineered by SP Systems on the Isle of Wight, confirmed that the weight-savening has built and size of the plant of the savening has built and size for the passage has built and size for the plant of the pla ing in both hull and rig gives her

The Soviet Union plans to enter a maxi yacht in next year's Whithread Round the World Race and four entries are expected for the next America's Cup. "We want to get as mach practice as possible before the race," Vasilchenko said as the an advantage in a seaway. With the winds seldom over 12 knots in both races but with a big, 10ft high swell, Windward Passage II was high and fast to windward, with noticeably less pitching than the other yachts in a high-quality fleet.

She won the opening race on Saturday over a 25-mile course by 9min 14sec on corrected time from Madeline's Daughter (Peter Kurts), a member of the 1987 Admiral's Cup team which with new keel, rudder and rig for next year's Admiral's Cup trials. Third was Great News (John to complete the 11.5-mile run Calvert-Jones/David Forbes), home to the finish.

SWIMMING

From Steven Downes, Indianapolis

krisztina Egerszegi, the Orym-pic champion.

As Egerszegi, known as "the little mouse", scuttled off inside world-record pace at halfway (62.41sec) for an emphatic win, Deakins swam an inspired race, moving past Hayes into third

moving past Hayes into third place over the second length to bold that position with a 71.23sec last 100 metres.

The experience of the British men on the first day's racing here is that they have been dropped in at the deep end of the Natatorium, struggling to admentate these course forms to the

adapt short-course form to the demands of racing in a 50-metre

pool against good American

opposition.

Grant Robins, who the day before had set a British record,

had to come to terms with fourth place in the consolation

mile Olympic-style course - the first of its kind ever laid by the Cruising Yacht Cluh of Australia off the Sydney coastline — Windward Passage II won again, this time by the enormous margin of 1hr 52min on corrected time from Wild Oats, the

rected time from Wild Oats, the four-year-old Farr-43 owned by Bob Oatley and steered by the British Olympic gold medal-winner, Rodney Pattisson.

Oatley, also, has extensively modified Wild Oats and imported Pattisson for his helming and tactical skills and to inspire his young crew. Pattisson, who sailed aboard Jamarella in the 1987 British Admiral's Cup team, has sailed in three previous Sydney-Hobart races. Madeline's Daughter was third, another 2min 47sec behind

another 2min 47sec behind Wild Oats. Windward Passage II was again exceptionally fast upwind time margin because the wind died overnight, to oothing at times, after she had finished. Even so, it took her four hours

James Parrack has not been having the most successful week, but thought he had

another opportunity to put that right in the B final of the 100

metres breaststroke. However, less than 30 minutes before he

was due to race, an official caplained that there had been a

timing fault and that Parrack would lose his place in the

RESULTS (US unless stated): MEN: Presstyle: State S Crocker, 22.74sec. Heats: P Howe (GB), 25.30. 400m: T CHern (Car), 3min 56.83sec. Heate: Howe, 4:08.38. Bischetroke: 200m: O Westberford, 2:03.38. Bischetroke: 200m: O Westberford, 2:03.38. Bischetroke: 100m: K Guettler (Hon), 1:03.31. Heate: J Parrack (GB), 2:07.03. Breastbroke: J Parrack (GB), 1:08.56. Inchividual medicy: 2:00m: R Karnegh, 2:03.21. Heate: G Robins (GB), 2:12.60.

WOMER's Freestyle: 50m: A Book, 25.12. Heath: A Cripps (GS), 27.54; K Pickering (GB), 27.52; 40m: S Cassiday, 4:14.45. Heate: Cripps, 4:25.88; Backstroke: 200m: 1, K Egerzégi (Hun), 211.03; 3, J Deatins (GE), 219.20; Breeststroke: 100m: 1, S Brownston (GB), 1:11.17, 8 final: 3, O Tubby (GB), 1:15.29 (1:15.15 heats). Heate: K Pickering (GB), 1:18.87. Individual mediley: 200m: 1, A Petricevic, 2:16.38; 4, Brownsdon, 2:20.81.

Newbridge A present to use film for appeal

Newbridge plan to use television film to lodge an appeal to the Welsh Rugby Union after Andrew Allen, their lock forward, was sent off on Saturday. Allen, a Wales under-23 squad member, was dismissed in the Welsh Cup fourth round match against Blackwood, their neighbours which Newbridge neighbours which Newbridge

Robert Yeman, the Port Tal-bot referee, said Allen's offence was an attempted head butt, Now Newbridge plan to use a BBC televisioo film of the incident in support of their

Graham Robbins, captain of Warwickshire's championship winning team three seasons ago, has lost his battle for fitness and will miss the semi-final against Cornwali at Redruth on January

Robbins, Coventry's No. 8, capped twice by England in 1986, is recovering from a third operation on his left shoulder and does not expect to resume until January 28, almost a year since he last played. "I am starting weight training to re-build shoulder muscles and if Warwickshire win, I should be available for the final in April," said Robbins, who scored a remarkable 32 tries in 1985-86, including three pushovers in the day, followed Twickenham final against Kent. Northampton.

half backs for this afternoon's game. A bold move by the likely to be made by the Ireland "big five".

RUGBY UNION

Last match should

be the toughest

for Zimbabweans

Zimbabwe meet Ireland 10 a schools international at

in the fifth and final match of a in the first and small match of a tour that has won these quite talented youngsters a host of admirers. They have played a brand of rugby which places the

emphasis on running and pass-ing and in the four games

against the Irish provinces have displayed a refreshing

They lost the opening two matches in Belfast and Dublin against Ulster and Leinster respectively, merited their draw against Munster and experienced no trouble against Connach, at the weekend winning

nacht at the weekend winning

uninhibited approach and the biggest cheer of the night when

attention will be focused in their half-backs Allen and Hodgen. Hodgen, from Campbell Coll-ege, Belfast, was originally se-lected for Ulster but cried off

and his place went to Hylands, also from Campbell College. Hylands .struck up a fine partnership with Malone, the talented Methodist College out-

side half, who was respons for 18 of Ulster's 22 points.

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RELAND: J Dutn (Beheders College): C
McCluskey (Portadown College). I
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Munchin's College): Allen (High School)
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impressively by 18-0.

Against Ulster, the tourists drew warm praise for their biggest cheer of the night when Mavuwa touched down for Benhura to convert and close the gap to only fuur points well into the second half. Two late penalties gave Ulster a somewhat flattering 22-12 win.

Ireland, obviously will be a different proposition — nr should be — and most of the attention will be focusedon their half-backs Allen and Hodgen.

Meanwhile Trevnr Ringland has his sights set on a return to action for Ballymena on Boxing Day against Dungannon it Eaton Park in the Jack Kyle Cup ton Park in the Jack Kyle Cup match. "I will have a run out on Friday night and if everything goes well I will play on Monday and also far the Combined Provinces against Italy io Cork on January 4," Ringland said yesterday. He has not played since mid-November owing to n hamstring injury.

for the Welsh

By David Hands It being the season of goodwill, it may be the wrong moment to mention that New Zealand's programme next year will bring them to Wales and Ireland in the autumn with five home internationals by way of preparation.
The All Blacks play two

internationals against France and two more against Argentina before meeting Australia.

The French undertake an eight-match visit and the Argentinian tour begins the day

after the second game between New Zealand and France. PRANCE TO NEW ZEALAND: June 7: v
Counties (Pukekohe); 10; v Menawatu
(Paimersten North); 13: v Southland
(invercargia); 17: v New Zneland (Christchurch); 21: v Seddon Shield Unions
(Bioshoim); 24: v Wellington; 27: v Bay of
Plemy (Robona), July 1: v New Zealand
(Auckland).

ARGENTINA TO NEW ZEALAND: July 2: Autocartina 10 New ZealAnde, July 2 v North Auckland (Whangere); 5: v King Country (Taupo); 8: v Auckland; 11: v Wairarapa-Bush (Masterton); 15: v New Zealand (Dunedin); 18: v Hanan Shield Unions (Timanu); 22: v Camerbury (Christ-hurch); 25: v Wairaso (Hamilton); 29: v New Zealand (Wellington).

London Scottish and Richmond, joint tenaots of Rich-mond Athletic Ground, have resolved the problem which home in the third round of the Pilkington Cup on January 28. Scottish play Saracens at mid-day, followed by Richmood v

BASKETBALL

Second scalp for Brownsdon Kellybrew's knee could be club's Achilles' heel

By Nicholas Harling

Two years ago a knee injury to Brian Kellybrew cost Crystal Palace the chance of the Palace the chance of the Carlsberg League title. Bracknell Tigers must be hoping that history does not repeat itself, for with their outstanding American entering hospital this week for arthroscopic surgery on his other knee, the left, the Berkshirs chalk title property could shire cluh's title prospects could be exposed at the time they look

most promising.
Bracknell's 78-67 victory over
MIM Livingston on Saturday
was achieved with no little help
from Kellybrew, whose 19 points and 12 rebounds came in spite of the pain he has felt for some time from a complicated condition that restricts his movement. The win established Bracknell as the most realistic challengers for the league, headed by Glasgow Rangers, still unbeaten this season in

defeated Manchester Eagles 94-80 nn Sunday.

Kellybrew will miss the world invitation club championships that Bracknell will help to stage that brackness will neep to stage for the first time on December 30 and 31 but they hope to have their prolific scorer back to full fitness early in the New Year. "With the wonders of modern technology the joint will be cleaned nut without his knee being taken apart," Mark Dunning, Bracknell's coach said. "Long term, though, we don't know what the future holds for Brian's knees as they are preny tatty."

other English team realistically capable, on paper at least, of making up the points difference on Rangers, resisted the late challenge of Hemel/Watford Royals to win 89-88. In the weekend's other league game either the Carlsberg League or Leicester City overcame the NatWest Trophy. in which they bottom club, Derby 106-87.

SHOOTING

would be no problems with registration. Since his arrival last week Thorstvedt has been hampered by influenza, but he recovered fully over the weekend and was looking forward to making his debut in a Tottenham shirt. Instead he must wait and see if Terry Venables prefers him to Bobby Minms for the Boxing Day match against Laton Town. He has not played a competitive match for more than a month. he stands despite assurances rom Terry Venables, the man-ger, last Friday that there TODAY'S FIXTURES

Thorstvedt sidelined

A Cup econd round econd replay

Millwall vesterday.

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NTRAL LEAGUE (7.0): First division: entry v Evertor; Liverpool v Lelcester; schester City v West Bromwich (6.45); vcastie v Derby, Second division: Apool v Darington; Bradford v Mans-1, Grimetry v Stoke; Middlesbrough v is County; Wigen v Scanthorpe.

PAPERS COMBINATION: Isan v West Ham (2.0); Fulham v ent'e Park Rangers (2.0); Norwich v ritors: Portemouth v Oxford (7.0); non v Brighton (2.0); Wilmbledon v ft.

v Worcester. XHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Premier di--- Diebne's Storbord v Pemborough;

HPS LOANS LEAGUE: Premie Southoort v Fleetwood. First

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE. Weetpele insurance Cupt Third round, second leg first leg score in brackets; Baldock (1) v Housslow (2): Bedworth (1) v Moor Green (1); Burton (4) v Hothastord (1); Dover (1) v Gravesend and Northfleet (2): Gloucester (2) v Seissbury (0). Widdland division: Coventry Sporting v Forast Green. Coventry Sporting v Forest Green.

GREAT MALLS LEAGUE: Premier divisios: Chippenham v Radstock; Swannge and Harston v Chard (7.45).

BERKS AND BUCKS SENOR CUP: First
round: Abingdon United v Newbury.

ESSEX SENOR CUP: Second round:
Grays v Degenham; Leyton-Wingsto v
Southend United.

LONDON SENIOR CUP: First round racing Harroton v Barkingside (Walton GRIN PRODUCENT LEAGUE: Avoley v Reinhem; Clacton v Wivenhoe; Withem v

OTHER SPORT

AMERICAN FOOTBALL: C4 5-6 p.m.: National Football League: Cualifiers for the play-ofts (repeated at 11.35 p.m.). Sky Channel 9.30-19.16 p.m.: Highlights of San Francisco 49ars v New Orisans SCORING: ITY 11.35 p.m.-12.30 a.m.: Seconds out from Swenses Leisure Carre.
EQUESTRIANSSE: BBC1 5.05-3.50 p.m.:
Show lumping: Review of the Olympia
show.
MOTOR SPORT: Sky Charmel 1.30-2
p.m.: International news.

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Fraderikaen (Den), A Wismesta (mich), 515, 9,
PE Hosper-Lursen (Den), 780; 10, N Yaines
(GS), 755. (CB), 755. Ifformen's singlest 1, Li Lingwei (China), 1,890; 2, Han Alping (China), 1,420; 3, H Truke (CB), 1,050; 4, K Lamaen (Conf., 985; 5, Youse Sak Lae (S. Kor), 875; 5, C Magnusson (Swej, 850; 7, Gu Jiaming (China), 780; 3, P Nadergaard (Dent), 751; 5, Smith-Elliott (GS), 895; 10, E Coené (Neth), 670.

OREANDO, Floride: Super-middleweight: Christophe Tiazzo (Fr) ha Sylvester White (US), 8th md. Heteromeight: Johny Du Place (SA) ko Everet Big Foot Marsin (US), 8th md.

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BASKETBALL NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (NEAL: Boston Chilics 117, New York Knicks 104; Wash-ington Bullets 115, Los Angelet Lakers 110; Injustion Rockets 120, San Antonio Spuce

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Suki Brownsdon and Joanno
Deakins produced inspired
performances for Britain at the
US Open here yesterday.
British wins at previous US
Opens have been rare, so
Brownsdon's victory in the 100
metres heresterables expended?

Suki Brownsdon and Joanno
Seeing her hat worn to victory
certainly did not go to Deakin's
head. Nor was she overawed by
her opposition, which included
Krisztina Egerszegi, the Olympic champion.

As Egerszegi, known as "the
little arguer" stylled off inside

DORAGO MEACH, Puerto Ricc: Mezdin Champiene tenne transment: Finel positions: 1981: C Valler and D HE. 190: 1 Supplement and C Rodgiuse. 1971: T Green and O Moody. 1981: N Loops and H Henning. 1981: J Interer and A Gelberger. 1985: K Postlewelt and A Palmer.

WOMEN'S EUROPEAN CUP: First remod, second leg: Marchester United SSS 14, **MODERN PENTATHLON** PARMIR Ment 1, Cambridge University (P. McCoster, Magdalane, 4.298; D. Bancroll, Jesus, 4.118), 11,727 pts; 2, Ecole Polytentases Military School of Excellence, 11,347; 3, Oxford University, 16,366, Mozene: Cambridge (J. Hutst, S. Lohr's, 3,530; J. Boswell, Calus, 3,505, C. Roue, CDAT, 3,528), 10,950; Ecole Polytechnique, 5,454.

GUEEN'S CLUB: Public schools singles championships: H K Rester Cap: Send-State: R Morragomerie (Rugby) bt L Denby (Radley), 15-4, 15-3, 15-5; A Hiscock (Malway) bt T Barter (Marbonough, 15-4, 15-3, 12-15, 15-7; Reeny Cap: Second round: M Suber (Marbonough) bt W Richinson (Malway), 18-15, 15-4; H Eddie (Einn) wo E Devise (Marbonough) bt W Richinson (Chaltenham) bt J Rowland (Tonbridge), 15-4, 15-7; J Crame (Cathon) bt M Hiller (Tonbridge), 15-7, 18-13; J Rooney (Chaltenham) wo 2 Durrant (Wallington), scrip Petitigrew (Wallington) bt A Shaw (Radley), 15-10, 11-15, 15-5; M Rudd (Charterhouse) bt W Chignal (Charterhouse) bt R Turnill (Win-

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chester), 1-15. 15-3, 18-16; K Walter (Tonbridge) br S Lasr (Marborough), 15-0, 15-6; T Stavey-Cookson (Wellington) bt R Brits (RacRey), 15-5, 15-3; W Wells (Marborough) bt M Harris (Harrow), 15-0, 15-11; R Hearman (Mahamm) bt C White (Harrow) bt J Courthald (Cherlethouse), 12-15, 15-13, 16-13; J Norman (Elon) bt R Wagg (Elon), 15-2, 15-11; E Léé (Elon) bt H Sawart (Halleybury), 15-3, 15-6; J Acheson-Gray (Cherlethouse) bt M Wastley (Chihon), 15-4, 15-1. Third round: Butter bt Exids, 15-4, 15-10; Boddington bt Grans, 15-9, 15-7; Petitigraw bt Rooney, 14-17, 15-9, 15-11; Brice bt Rudd, 17-14, 17-14; Walter bt Sewerey-Cookson, 15-12, 15-6; Hennan bt Wells, 18-13, 5-15, 15-15. BURY Nr. 2, 15-9, 15-7; Pethigraw bt Rooney, 14-17, 15-9, 15-11; Brice bt Rudd, 17-14, 17-14; Walker bt Sourcy-Cookson, 15-12, 15-9; Henman bt Wells, 18-13, 5-15, 15-10; Pugh bt Norman, 16-14, 15-6; Acheson-Gray bt Lee, 15-8, 15-11. Quarter-finals: Bookingson bt Butler, 7-16, 17-18, 15-9; Pettigraw bt Brice, 10-16, 15-8, 15-10; Walker bt Henman, 15-12, 15-5; Acheson-Gray bt Pugh, 15-2, 15-5; Senf-finals: Bookingson bt Pettigraw 2-15, 15-10; Walker bt Acheson-Gray, 7-15, 15-10, 15-17, 15-10, 15-12, Incledon-Webber Cup (undor-16): Baccord nound: S Quillebaud (Hernwy) bt A Sewell (Radey), 15-9, 15-9; A Senfi-Bingham (Hernwy) bt A Sewell (Radey), 15-9, 15-9; A Senfi-Bingham (Pool) bt W Heap (Tonbridge), 15-9, 15-16; A Smith-Bingham (Pool) bt W Heap (Tonbridge), 15-9, 15-16; A Smith-Bingham bt Guillebaud, 15-7; Smith-Bingham bt Dornet, 15-8, 15-15; Guillebaud bt Gurn, 15-0, 15-7; Smith-Bingham bt Guillebaud, 8-15, 10-16, 15-5, 15-9; C Danby (Internal Newson), 15-9, 15-7; Smith-Bingham bt Guillebaud, 8-15; 10-16, 15-15; Guillebaud (Burn), 15-0, 15-7; Smith-Bingham bt Guillebaud, 8-15; 10-16, 15-15; Guillebaud, 15-9, 15-16, 15-15; Guillebaud, 15-9, 15-16, 15-15; Guillebaud, 15-9, 15-16, 15-15; Guillebaud, 15-9, 15-16, 15-16; Hall (Windows) bt Denvel, 15-9, 15-7; Smith-Bingham bt Guillebaud, 15-7, 17-16, 15-8, 15-16; Hall (Windows) bt Denvel, 15-9, 15-7; Smith-Bingham bt Guillebaud, 8-15-16; Hall (Windows) bt Denvel, 15-9, 15-7; Smith-Bingham bt Guillebaud, 8-15-16; Hall (Windows) bt Denvel, 15-9, 15-7; Hall (Denvel, 15-11, 15-12, Femal-Hall bt Segal, 17-14, 15-11.

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REAL TENNIS LORD'S: MCC 3. Herdwick 2 (MCC nerices first): A Crook tost to P Hopkins, 6-4, 4-6, 3-6; L. Wheetiny to N Cobb., 3-6, 6-4, 6-4; B Sherp lost to S Cobb, 1-6, 3-8; J Farrell bthi Parsons, 6-2, 6-5; A Macchin and A Buckley Lt O Weston and A Snow, 6-2, 6-1.

STANFORTH CHALLENGE CUP: Public schools (posts) small-bore match: 1, Epsom A, 795; 2, Martborough A, 767; 3, St John's, 788 LEEDS BRITISH LEAGUE RESULTS: Premier distallor: Ashford (Alddissex) 4, Ormesby 4, Armade 90 (Phymothy) 2, Butterfel (Cerefle), Chan Construction (Broninghen) 0, Grochartex Drayton) 8; Seyer Bractions Unity Batteriets Tryse (Saury 8) MEANN REACH, Florida: Orange Bowl championables: First round: Glirier N Blankrys (USSR) bt J Branner (US), 6-4, 6-6, N Van Lottum (Fr) bt E Woodkoute (AS), 6-4, 6-6-2; M Painders (Neth) bt A Creek (US), 6-4, 6-2; P Sonanata (Den) bt M Castro (Critis), 6-1, 6-1; Beye: W Bull (US) bt O Magnon, (Van), 6-0, 6-0; M Sallole (Br) bt M Meritain (US), 6-4, 2-6, 6-4. BOCA RATON, Floridit: Sensitive Cup hore team tournament: Final: France It Italy, 2-1. ATF: Rankleges: I. M. Wilsonfor (Sweig: 2. 1 Land (Cit); 3. A Agend (U.S.); 4. 8 Bector (Wolf; 5. 5 Ections (Sweig: 8, K Certsson (Sweig: 7, J Contrors (185); 8. J Hasen (Sweig: 9, H Leconte (Fr); 19. T Mispoto (185); Landing strong-variance; Wilsonfor, 51, 720,731; 2. Becker, 51, 988,683; 5, Echoer, 51, 492,892; 4, Land. \$853,130; 7, E Sanchez (Spi, 528); 48, Laconte, 5554,691; 9, Carleston, 5366,530; 10, Mayota, 556,754.

take the field for United at FA

The tackiest football squabble of 1988 reaches a climax today when John Fashanu, of Wimbledon, and Viv Ander-son, of Manchester United, appear before the Football Association on charges of bringing the game into

Arising from a now infamous post-match "incident" in the Plough Lane tunnel on November 1 when Fashanu was alleged to have struck Anderson, the case has given rise to a welter of accusations and denials.

Alex Ferguson, the Manchester United manager who has provided the FA's disciplinary committee with a written statement, is anxious that the inquiry should vindicate Anderson and, accordingly, United are dispatching a five-man representation to

Martin Edwards, the chair-

United manager, yesterday

hinted that he may sell

Mirandinha, their Brazilian

international forward. After

rejecting a bid by Zaragoza,

the Spanish club, to take

Mirandinha on loan, Smith

said that he was now ready to

"Zaragoza asked to take

Mirandinha on loan, but f

refused. They have no money

so I could not see the point. As

he is an international player,

they must already know all

"I would consider any offer

for Mirandinha in the same

listen to any offers.

about him," be said.

Smith is ready to

sell Mirandinha

Jim Smith, the Newcastle James's Park," Smith said.

way I would for most other him for the Christmas period

Newcastle players. For the but f may have another look," moment be will stay at St Smith said.

man, Maurice Watkins, a director and the club's solicitor, and Steve Bruce, a defender who is expected to be called as an eye-witness, are also making the journey to London where the case will be heard by a five-strong panel, chaired by Jeoff Thompson, head of the disciplinary committee.

Ferguson is particularly angry that, in the days following the incident, Fashanu questioned both his word and bis submitted evidence. Fashanu has claimed that, in the confusion which followed the alleged assualt or assaults. the United manager mistakenly accused the wrong man in Eric Young, the Wimbledon defender. The United manager is determined that his name, and that of his club, is in no way tarnished.

Clearly surprised by the size of the turn-out, an FA spokes-man said yesterday: "We were

However, Smith's bopes of

persuading Chariton Althetic

to part with John Humphrey,

the experienced right back,

ended when the London club

rejected a £400,000 package

deal to include John Cornwell.

long and hard before rejecting

the offer," Lennie Lawrence,

Although surprised, Smith

is expected to make renewed

attempts to sign Humphrey in

the New Year. "I thought that

the deal was a certainty to go

through, I think that they want

the Charlton manager, said.

"Humphrey is too useful for

to be so strongly represented but we do not know Wimbledon's plans." Fashanu claims he is inno-

not aware that United planned

cent of any charges and Wimbledon are expected to produce witnesses on his behalf with Bobby Gould, the manager, certain to attend. He is not only concerned about the prospect of Fashann receiving a lengthy suspension but the effect the incident has already had on the forward's

"Ever since it happened he has been physically and men-tally drained," Gould said. "It has been like a jail sentence hanging over him. This sort of thing takes its toll, no matter how strong you are and how much character you have.

"I can honestly say that John has battled through, but his performances have been below par. It is not really surprising, but let us hope that after this week we can return to some sort of normality."

Fashanu said: "The idea of a long standing feud is absolute fabrication. The fact is that I am innocent. If I really had hit him there would have been a lot more damage.

"Manchester United are sending lawyers while I will not be represented by a solicitor but hopefully my case is strong enough to prove my pia Show Jumping champion-

 The FA's disciplinary panel will reconvene on Thursday to decide on the punishment for us to lose but we did think Mark Dennis, of Queen's Park Rangers, who incurred the twelfth sending-off of his career during a reserve match on December 6. The dismissal was for allegedly spitting at an, opponent. Dennis, booked for the 68th time in his career on Saturday, has protested his innocence and is being backed

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Show stopper: Franke Sloothaak, of West Germany, on his way to first of two victories at Olympia yesterday

ders want more prize-money

By Jenny MacArthur

Franke Sloothaak, a member of the West German Olympic ships yesterday, but said afterwards that be would not be coming to the show again unless the prize-money and the courses improved.

Sloothaak, who won the Crosse and Blackwell Mince Pie Stakes - worth £600 - on the eight-year-old German The Olympia prize fund bred Leandra and, on the compares unfavourably with same horse, the Christmas Jigsaw jointly with Thomas Fruhmann - worth £350 each - said that he and the other West Germans "did not find it very interesting competing at same and the prizemoney is not high enough.

coming to Olympia — the atmosphere and the public are the best anywhere — but the show is not keeping up with many of the others."

David Broome supported Sloothaak's comments. "The prize-money hasn't changed for 10 years has ft?" he said vesterday. The prize-money at, Olympia during the five days of jumping is £82,500. Foreigners have to pay 27 per cent tax on their winnings.

some of the new shows on the Continent. Stuttpart in October, in its fourth year, offers £160,000 over four days plus a Mercedes car. The Grenoble Show, which highlighted Olympia's shortcomings by Olympia any more - Alan Olympia's shortcomings by Ball's courses are always the running at the same time, has a prize fund of more than £100,000 over four days plus "It's not that we don't like four cars. John Whitaker, who

By David Hands
Rugby Correspondent

Chris Oti, the Wasps wing

capped twice by England last

season but whose games this

season amount to no more

than a handful, has been

named in England's training

squad of 25 to go to Portugal

next month for five days, as

part of their preparation for

the five nations' champ-

ionship. The party includes six uncapped players, three forwards and three backs.

The national selectors have

acknowledged the consistency

of the London division by

choosing nine of their champ-

ionship-winning side though

that has not been enough to

return neither Salmon nor

Clough to the squad. O'Leary

is chosen on last season's form

while good divisional displays

have not brought in Kimmins

(Orrell) or Buzza (Cambridge

University).
The selectors have mostly

kept faith with those chosen to

won £20,000 at Grenoble on Sunday, could not have matched that figure at Olympia even if he had won the World Cup qualifier and the grand prix.

Raymond Brooks-Ward, the director of Olympia, who said he was grateful to Sloothaak and the other top riders for coming to Olympia rather than Grenoble, acknowledged that the show has fallen behind in its prizemoney, although it has kept up with inflation. "It's a problem shared with many of the World Cup shows excluding Bordeaux (£100,000 over three days). There's no question about it, if we're going to maintain our position in the World Cup we've got to raise

our prizemoney. What we're not going to do is join in a ratrace over the money." He pointed out that Olym-

Squad for Portugal

ENGLAND: (Wespa unioss stated): Fell back: S Ternahus (Harlequina). Winge: M Balley. C Off, R Underwood (Lalcestar). Courses: J Boction (Sarreans), W Carling (Introductor). S Halldley (Battle, Standoffer, Antoney, A Thompson (Harlequina). Scrum harves: S Battle, I Morris (Liverpool St Helme). Proper G Calloct (Battle), J Probyn, P Rendall. Hooksen: B Moore (Nottingann), J Otver, Locks: P Ackford (Harlequina), W Dooley (Preston Grasshoppers), N Edwards, S O'Lusey. Back rove D Egenton (Battle), M Stitute (Lalcester), A Robinson (Bottle), M Stitute (Lalcester), M Tempes (Gloucester).

Thresber, of Harlequins who played for the B XV against

the Australians in October. He

must now be ahead of

Hodgkinson (Nottingham) and Buzza for a first cap,

should Webb not recover

fitness before England play

ship has clearly sustained Olver's cause and advanced

those of Edwards and Teague.
O'Leary played in the B side

last season, but only returned

from Canada in October; was

not chosen for London and

the North will feel aggrieved

that Kimmins has not made

the squad, while the South

West must have hoped

Redman (Bath) would be

restored

The divisional champion-

Scotland on February 4.

also waived starting fees charging a block entry fee of £10 for each rider.

On the subject of the coursebuilding, Brooks-Ward said that the show normally employs a foreign course designer but the one they wanted this year, Philippe Gayot, could not come because he had been booked by Grenoble.

centre, whose defence was exposed by Salmon and Clough against London and

who was dropped by the

North Both London men

have stated firm claims to a

place - Clough is playing as

well as at any time in his

career and Salmon's control of

the London backs has been

masterful. One may yet be included should Halliday not

recover in time from damaged

against Maesteg in September and damaged a knee in train-

ing, played less than half a game for London against Munster on October 1 before

the injury recurred. He was

told no operation was nec-

essary and after an extended

rest returned on Saturd y for Wasps second XV against

Technically, three left wings

have been chosen, although

Underwood played on the

right twice last season and

Oti, who played for his club

knee ligaments.

Northampton.

He transcended racial differences because he was so England keep faith with Oti and O'Leary in squad set-up Were he to withdraw there would be a strong case for Hall being restored to the squad. That is more than can be said for Buckton, the Saracens

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Douglas

has set

a high

By Richard Eaton

as has achieved against see

Johnny Leach, Donglas is

possibly England's best-ever

player, although Leach is a

played in the hard-bat era of

the early 1950s when the

equipment was comparatively

simple.

Douglas's achievements in

winning the European Ton-Twelve title, regarded by many

as physically and mentally the

toughest tournament in the world, and in creating a record

by winning 19 matches out of 19 in the European team

championships, will be remembered for a long time.

And, by becoming the first black player to reach the top

echelons of the game (world No. 7 at his highest), Donglas is sure of an honoured place in

the annals of the sport as long

as table tennis is played in this

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Cooke: new man at the top outstanding, at a time when the game in England was going through appalling doldrums. He was a beacon for every

player to follow. For Cooke, Douglas was an idol. Yet, in his early days, Douglas was not even the best player in his school. He used to queue to play at the local YMCA and developed his unique, close-to-the-table

style, partly because the classrooms where he practised had so little space. At 21 he was forced to leave England to make a living out of the game, at a time when he was working as a clerk with a Birmingham bus company. For eight years he travelled back and forth to Dusseldorf,

the team he led five times to the championship of the star-studded German Bundesliga. In the process he developed enormously, both as a player and as a person. As a celebrity in Germany he learned how to handle the Press and television and to speak in public. Douglas is in the final phase of his career but it cannot be

discounted that he may win back the No. 1 position at least once before he retires from the sport.

Cooke now has a platform of confidence from which to leap up and join Dougles in the European Top 12. He has learned to be more appressive than he was, and has never known what it is like to try less than a hundred per cent. But he has a tough act to follow.

Cooke has achieved his
life's ambition at a time when

Donglas is still playing ex-tremely well, and the success is all the greater for that. If Cooke and Douglas can maintain their present high standards, along with Carl Press, who briefly topped Douglas in 1983 before the rules of combination bats were

changed, then the future is bright. This trio have already takes England to the European final and within sight of a vicing team. And Douglas plans to be around for another times years. The English men may well bring down some top ciess opponents when the work hips are held next

Players await curtain to fall on pantomime cricket tour

By Alan Lee, Cricket Correspondent

The tour that nobody wants is likely to be abandoned today. England, rejected by India and snubbed by Pakistan, are prepared for the news that the New Zealand authorities are neither rich nor foolish enough to press on blindly with an ill-fated invitation.

New Zealand's Cricket Council, having gone through the motions of investigating possible new itineraries for England after Pakistan's withdrawal from the one-day competition on which the tour's finances were based, is expected to make a regretful call

No one should blame it if it over Grabam Gooch's takes the obvious step and calls it off. Indeed, I suspect appointment as captain almost four months ago. Alan Smith, the TCCB chief that some high-ranking Eng-

lish officials, not to mention executive, said last night: some notable players, will be silently thankful if a tour of "There are practical pressures at our end for a decision before Christmas because little cricketing merit but real time is pressing on. But we do political danger was consigned to the pile of casualties assoappreciate that New Zealand ciated with South Africa. are the ones who have to find The Test and County Cricket Board, having initially grounds, organize sponsors and arrange television been grateful to sit back and

coverage."

Judging by the negative commercial and public relet New Zealand do the worrying, is showing signs of irasponse to last winter's Eng-land tour of New Zealand, patience with the tiresome saga which stretches back to which included a properly the first him of Indian outrage constituted Test series rather than the token gesture planned this time, sponsors and television companies will not be scrapping to sign a contract

it will, of course, be wretched luck on the England novices, such as Lawrence, Newport, Russell and Rhodes if another touring opportunity slips into the political gutter. But in the broader, long-term interests of the game cancellation will bring down a welcome cartain on this pantomine and concentrate everyone's mind on the momentous matters due for decision at next month's meeting of the International Cricket Conference.

Certain English voices have been raised, botly and irrationally demanding a total ban on overseas players as a

New TV deal for tennis

Hamburg (AP) - A West German company has bought exclusive European television distribution rights for the Wimbledon tennis championships for the next five years, it was announced yesterday.

The company, Ufa Film, disclosed no figures for the deal, which includes all of Western Europe outside Britain.

But a company statement said: "The television broadcast rights are part of a comprehensive marketing concept that Ufa offered to the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club."

The deal begins with next year's championships and continues until 1993, the statement said.

Ufa, a subsidiary of the Bertelsmann publishing group, said it would offer the Wimbledon broadcast rights to bidders from all private and state-run television stations in Western Europe. Ufa has a 38.9 per cent stake

in RTL-Plus, a privately-owned German language tele-vision station that broadcasts mainly by cable to West Germany and neighbouring countries.

Earlier this year the company also acquired distribution rights for West German football league games and gave RTL-Plus a major share More cricket, page 28 of the broadcasting rights.

play Australia on November 5. Of the 21 for that match two, Webb and Harriman, had knee operations last week and were not considered, while Rees (Nottingham) and Dunn (Gloucester), have not found places. They have been over-taken by Teague and Olver, who was the England B hooker The only full back to leave likely of the two to fill in at for Portugal on January 5 and No. 8 should the shoulder return five days later, is injury of Richards not permit

The party includes three club No. 8s, Richards, Egerton and Teague, but both the West Countrymen can play flanker, with Egerton the more likely of the two to fill in at

Bailey can play on either wing. Andrew, the Wasps stand-off haif who has not played for a month because of a damaged rib cartilage, hopes to turn out for his club against Saracens on New Year's Eve.

More rugby, page 29 Cup favourites face

By Keith Macklin

Widnes, two of the cup chance of a giant-killing act

opposition. Hull are showing signs of revival while Widnes face an inconsistent but potentially dangerous Salford.

Wigan, the holders, travel to

Neither Castleford nor vision Swinton, and again the seems remote.

PRELIMINARY ROUND: Millord v Switten, Leids v Hunslar, Wakefield Trinity v Bramily, Went Hull v Doncaster, Barrow Island v Leigh East or Thaso Health, York v Workington Town (patiches to be played on January 15).

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● Joe Lydon, Wigan's international threequarter, has not broken his arm, as was feared after Saturday's John Player Special Trophy semi-final

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SPORT IN BRIEF Honeyghan

The world welterweight box-ing champion, Lloyd Honeyghan, won undisclosed damages in the High Court yesterday over a newspaper article which said he was "always in night clubs when he was supposed to be training

damages

Honeyghan, complained of the article in The Sun on February 8. News Group Newspapers accepted that the allegations were untrue and should never have been

Troke recovers

Heien Troke, a quarter-finalist in last week's Malaysian Open, was yesterday named the No. 3 hadminton player in the world, 10 months after being forced out of the game with an achilles injury.



The Big Three

Ray Williams, the former secretary of the Welsh rugby five selectors were too many for a small country. New Zealand have always made do

Extra reward

Prize-money for the 1989 Volvo PGA championship at Wentworth, from May 26-29, will be £350,000, an increase of £50,000 oo this year. First prize will be £58,330, with the runner-up receiving £38,860.

On the move

The former world cycling champion, Greg LeMond, of the United States, is likely to leave the Dutch team PDM for a Belgian or French team, a source close to the rider said

Rich pickings

union, has called for the Steve Davis took his earnings number of national selectors in four months of competition to be reduced from five to £423,000 by winning the three and has forwarded the Norwich Union European suggestion to the WRU. He Grand Prix in Monte Carlo on said: "I've always thought that Sunday with a remarkable 5-4 victory in the final over Jimmy White, who led by 41-25 in the final frame before an unlucky kick.

first-round nerves

favourites, will be over-confident of surviving the first round of the 1989 Silk Cut Challenge Cup after yesterday's draw at Leeds. Castleford travel to Hull and Widnes to Salford. Big guns in Leeds, St Helens and Wigan, however, will be reasonably bappy visiting lowly

either the amateur club, West Hull, or the second division Doncaster and will not lose much sleep over either, though Doncaster are making the amateurs from Leeds

Milford, or the second di-

a strong promotion challenge. Special Trophy semi-fine St Helens are away to either against Bradford Northern.